

On the Feistel counterpart of the BCT

Introduction and Analysis of the FBCT

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In this talk

- The Boomerang switches and the BCT
- Feistel case: introducing the **FBCT**
- Multiple-round case

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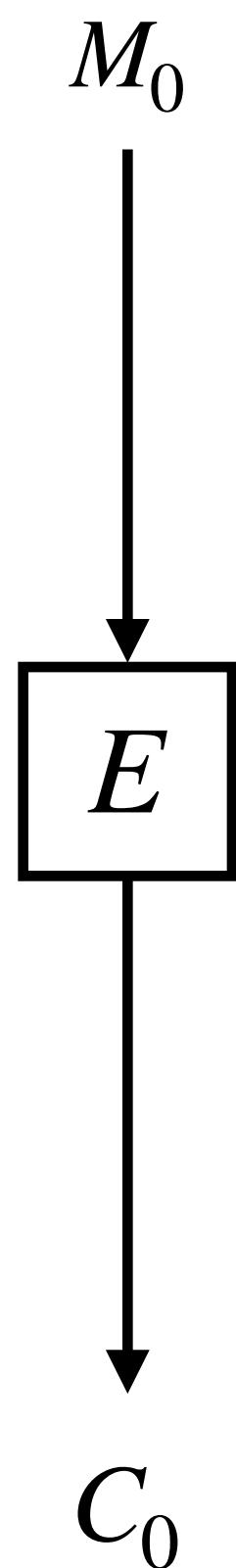
 [The Boomerang Attack](#)
Wagner, FSE 1999

Variant of differential cryptanalysis that considers **quartets** of messages.

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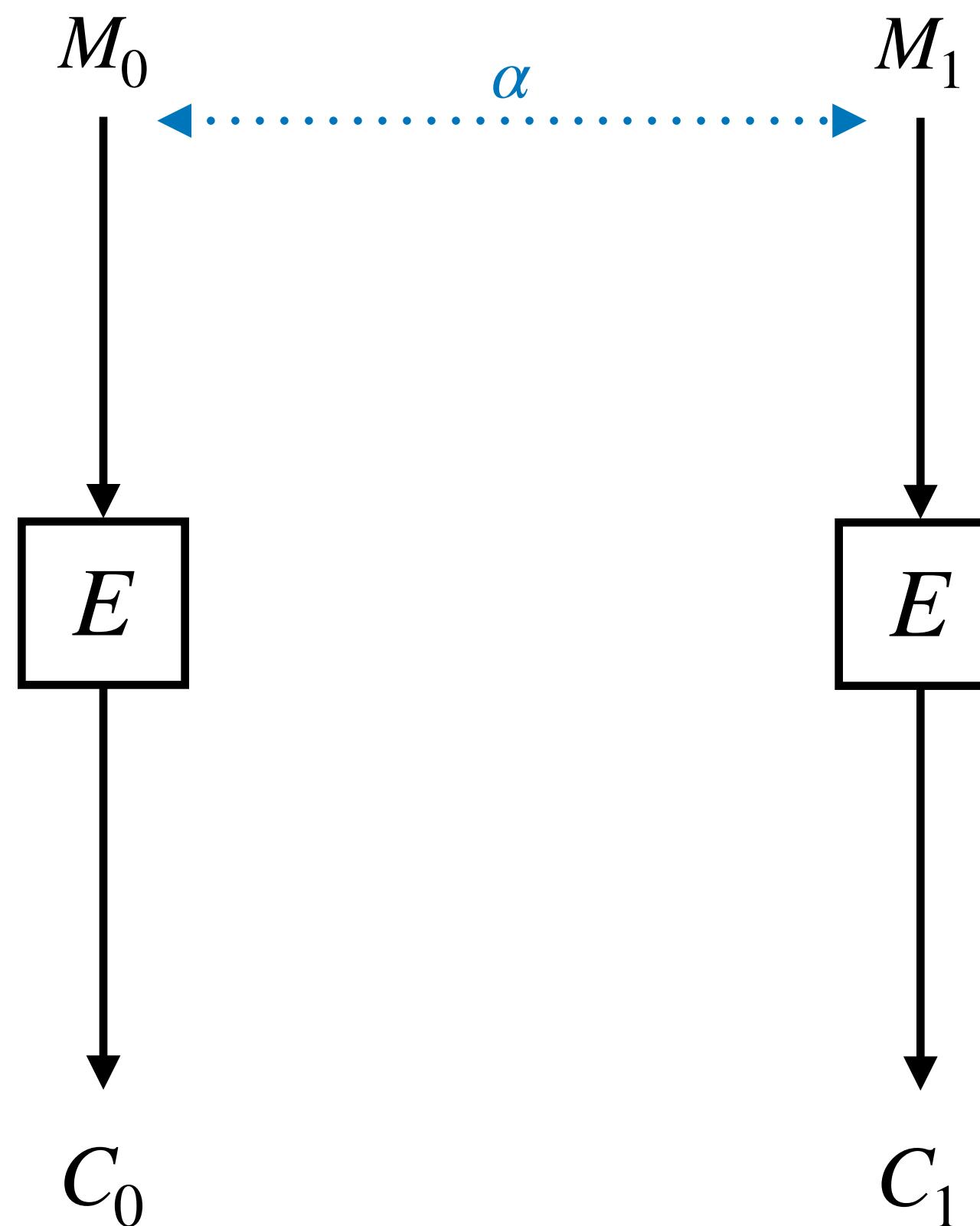
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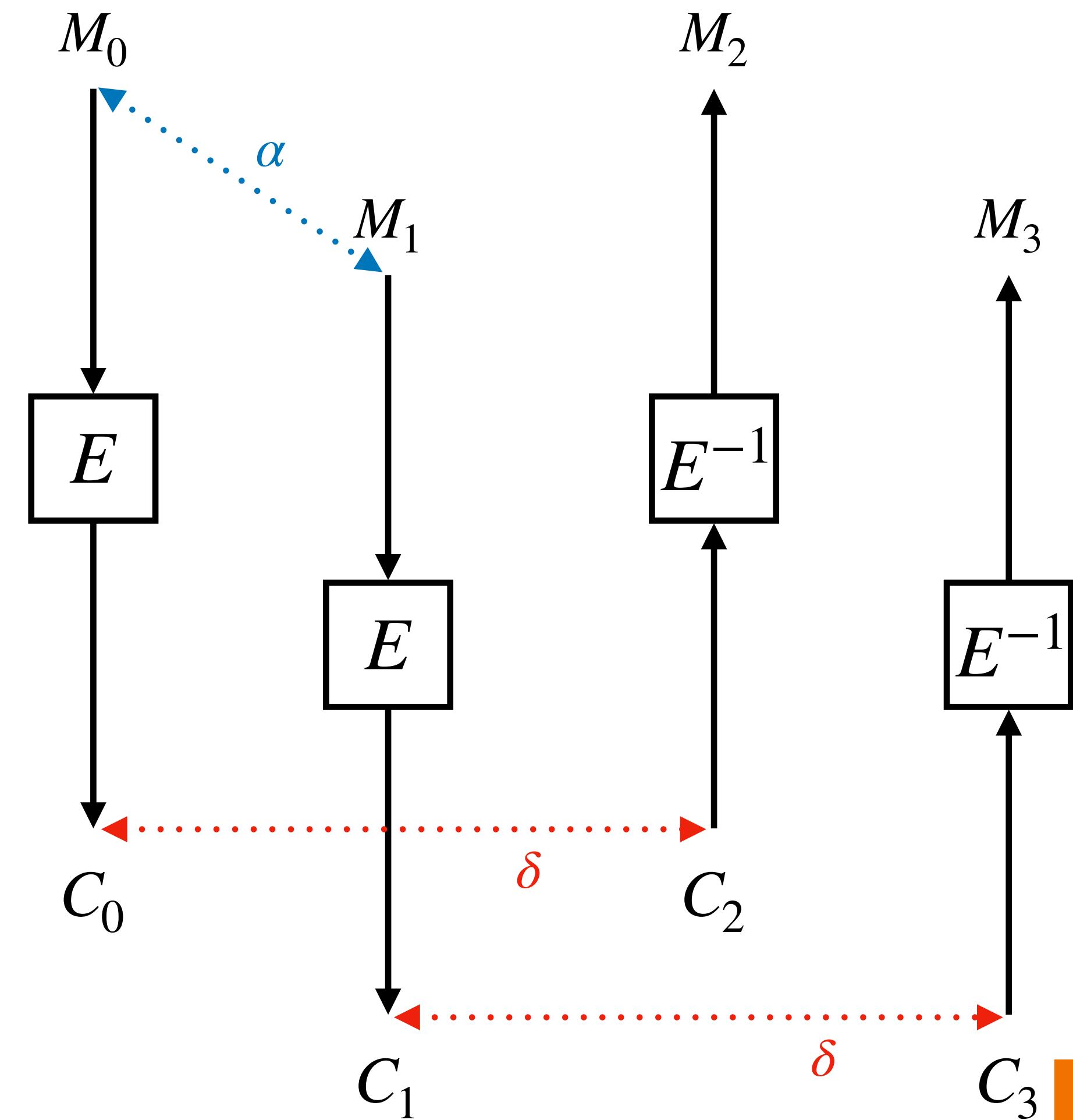
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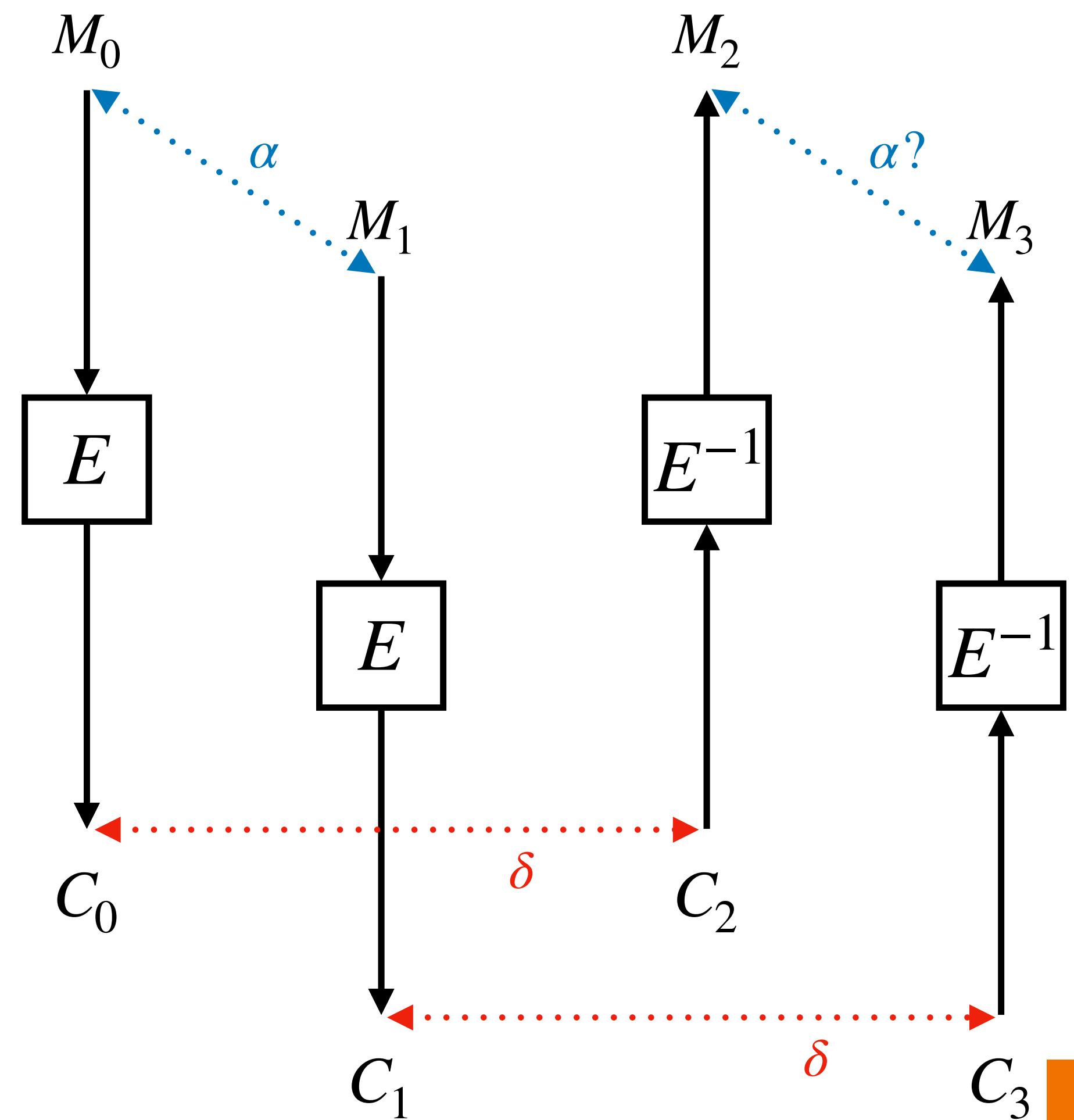
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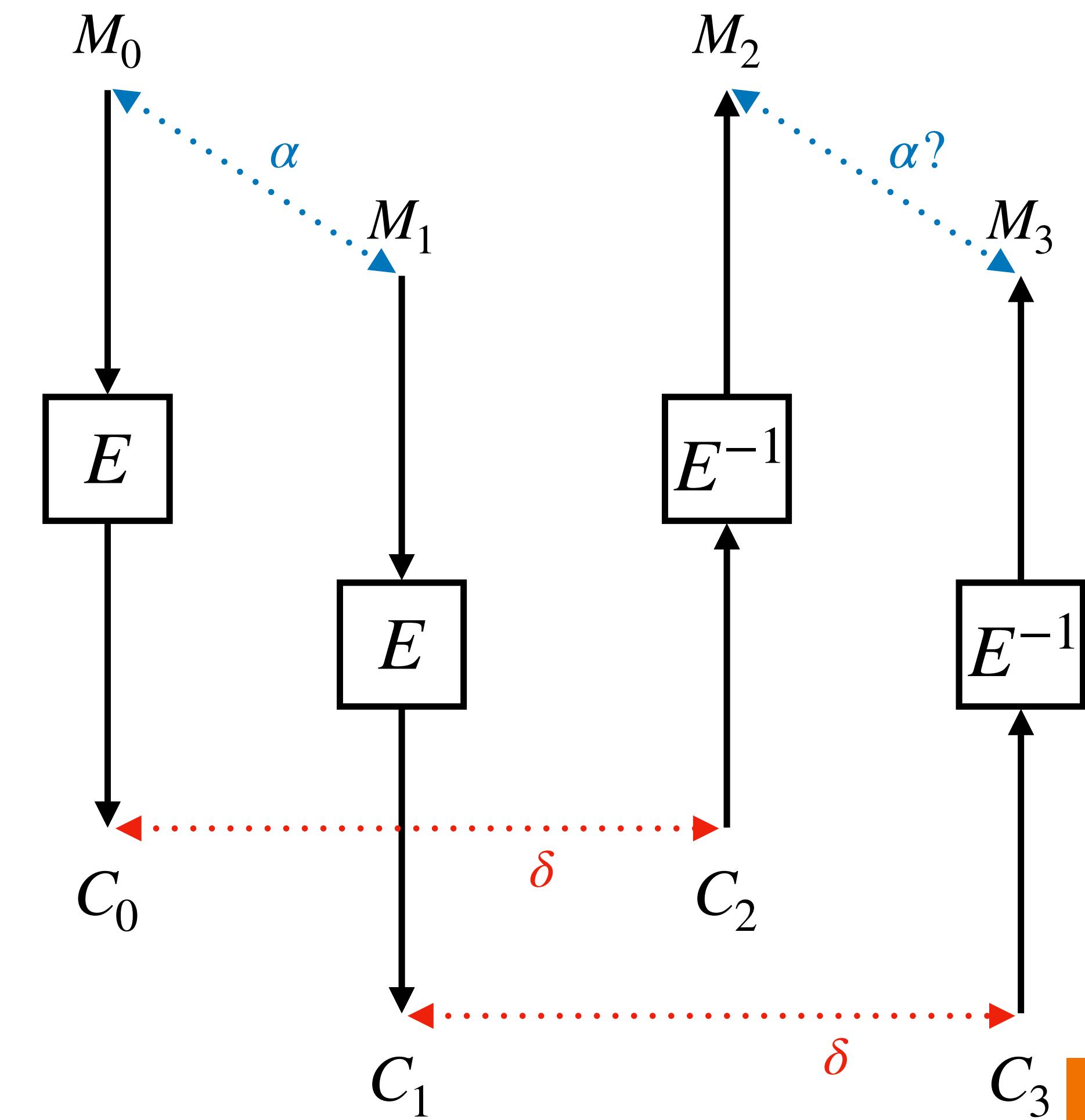
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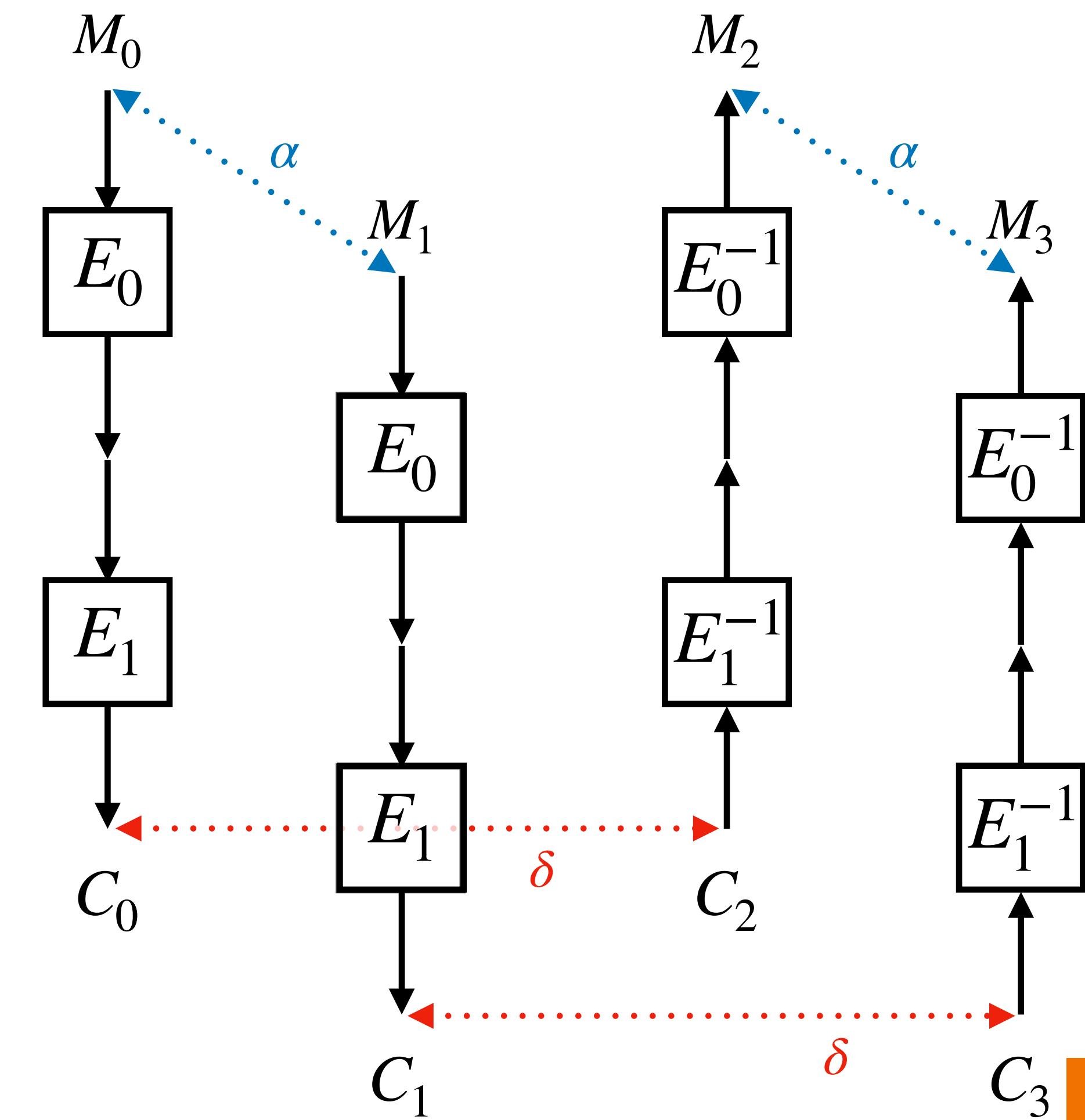


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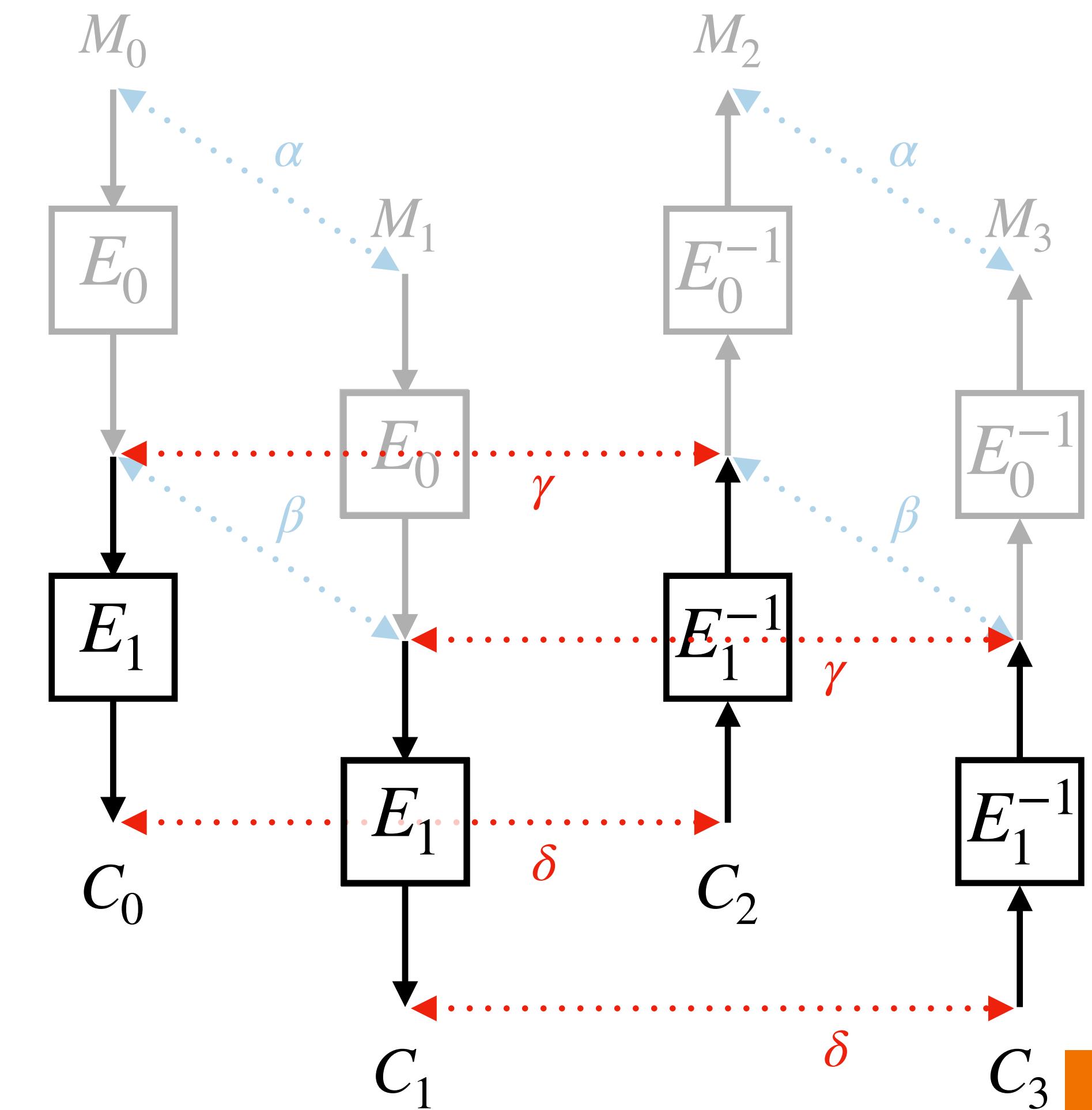
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$$\mathbb{P}(\gamma \rightarrow_{E_1} \delta) = q$$

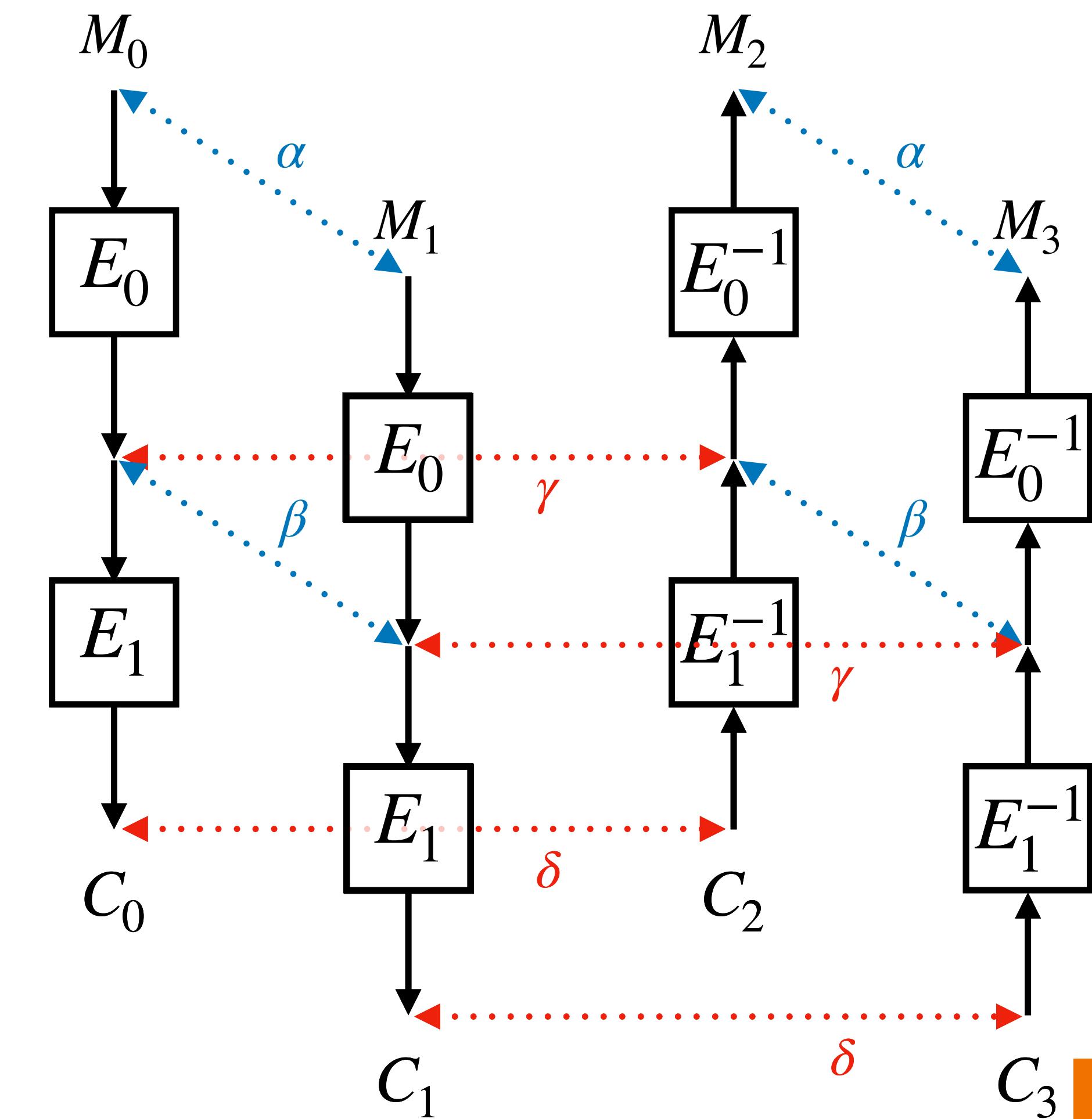
Expected probability of p^2q^2 if the two characteristics are “**independant**”.



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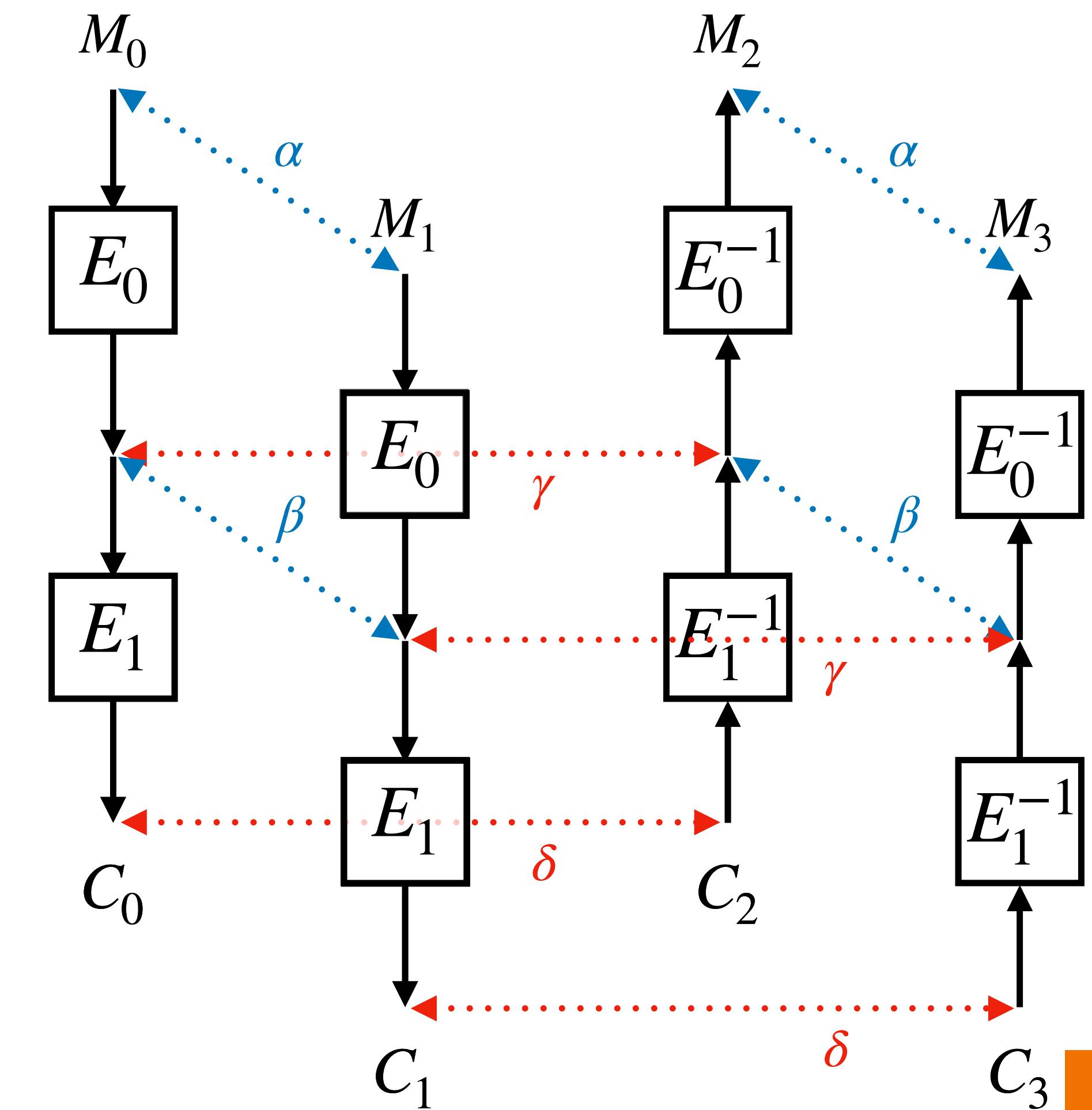
- Related-key Cryptanalysis of the Full AES-192 and AES-256

Biryukov & Khovratovich, ASIACRYPT 2009

- The Return of the Cryptographic Boomerang

Murphy, IEEE Transactions on Information Theory 2011

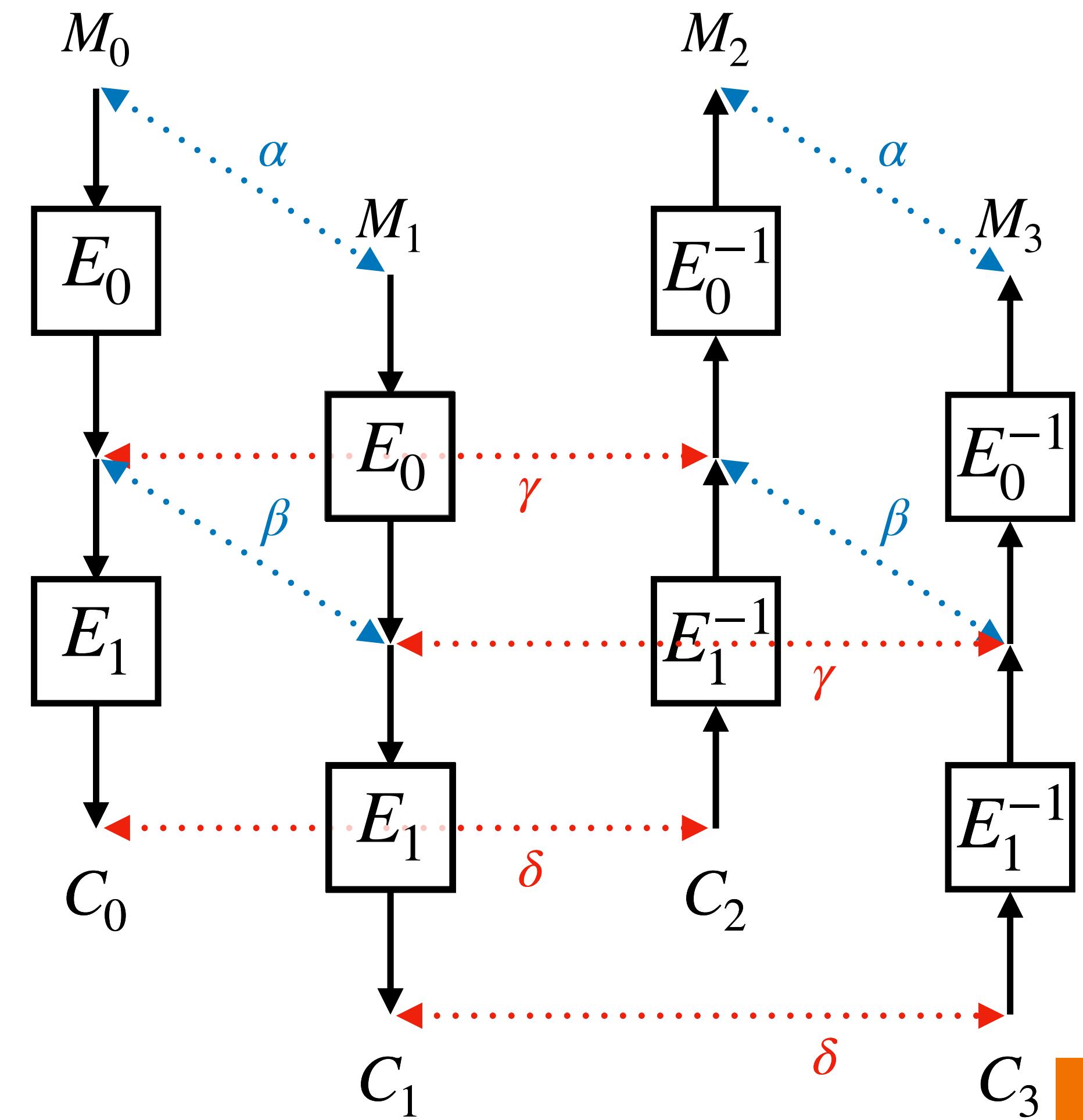
The problems come from interactions at the junction of the two trails.



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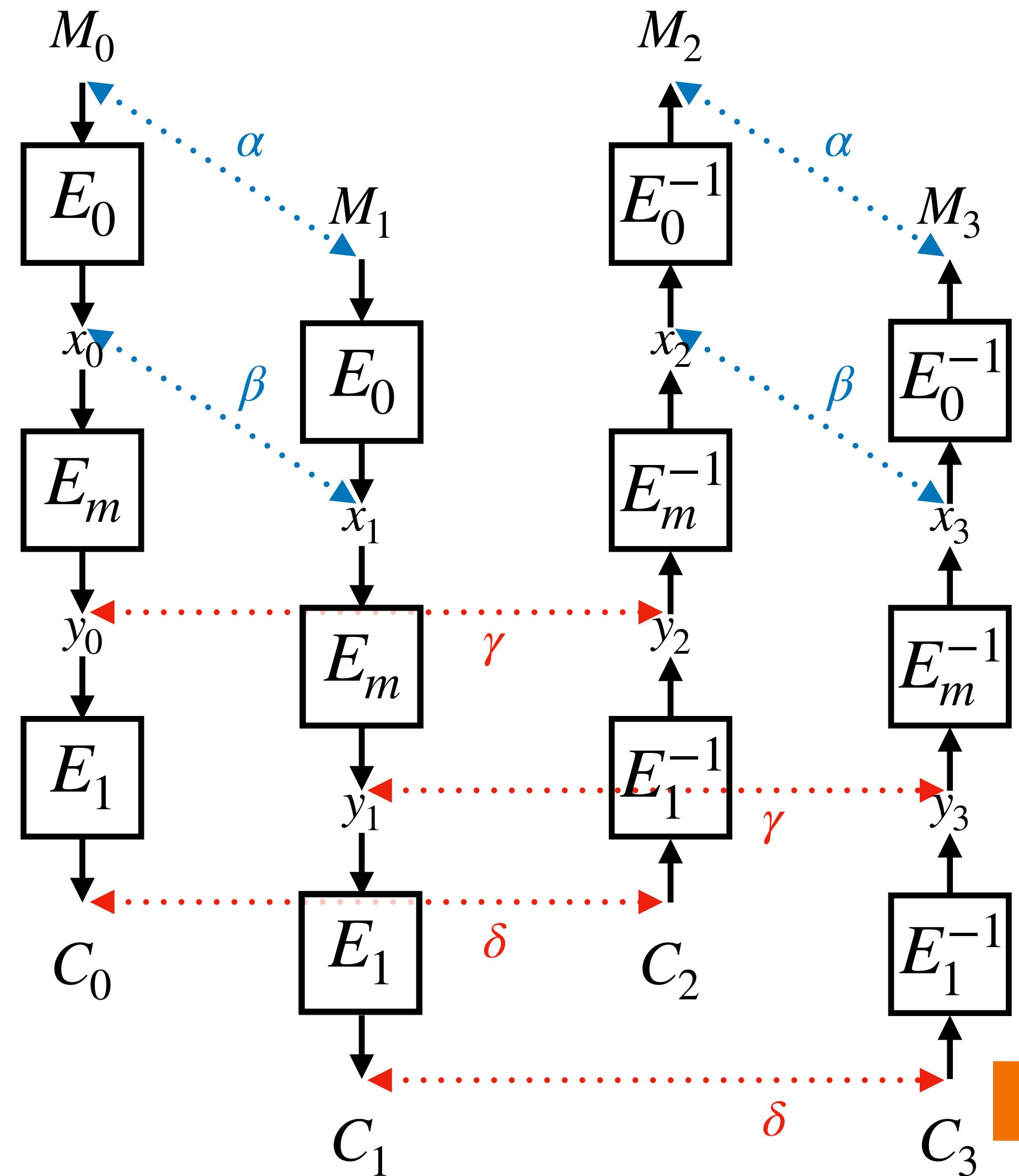
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$$E = E_1 \circ E_m \circ E_0$$

E_m is 1 round (**boomerang switch**)

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The BCT

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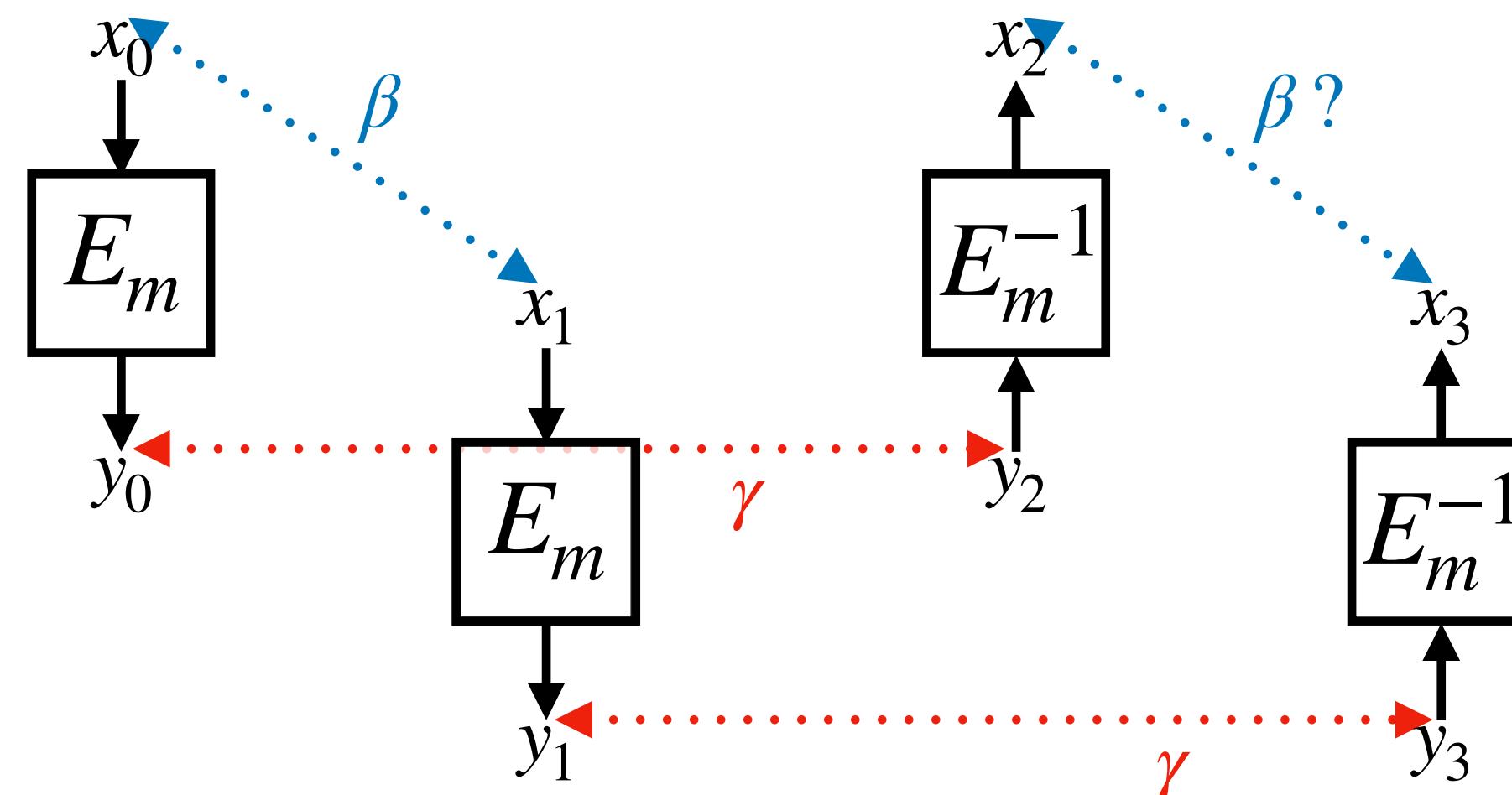
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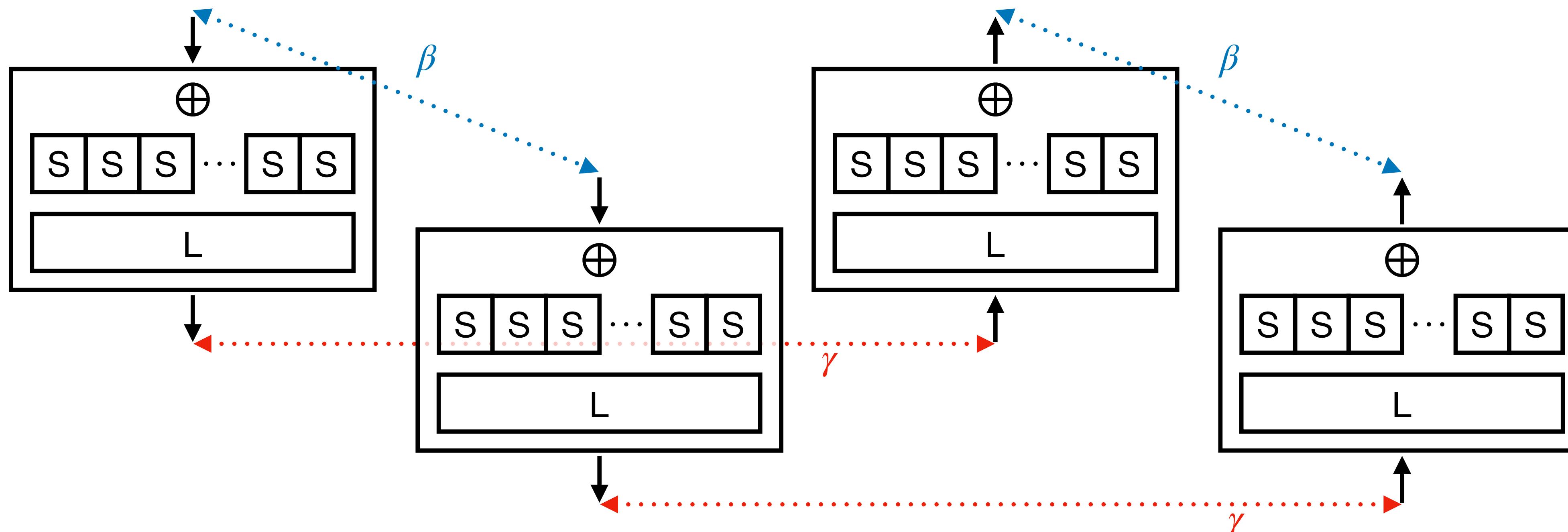
$$E_m^{-1}(E_m(X) \oplus \gamma) \oplus E_m^{-1}(E_m(X \oplus \beta) \oplus \gamma) = \beta$$

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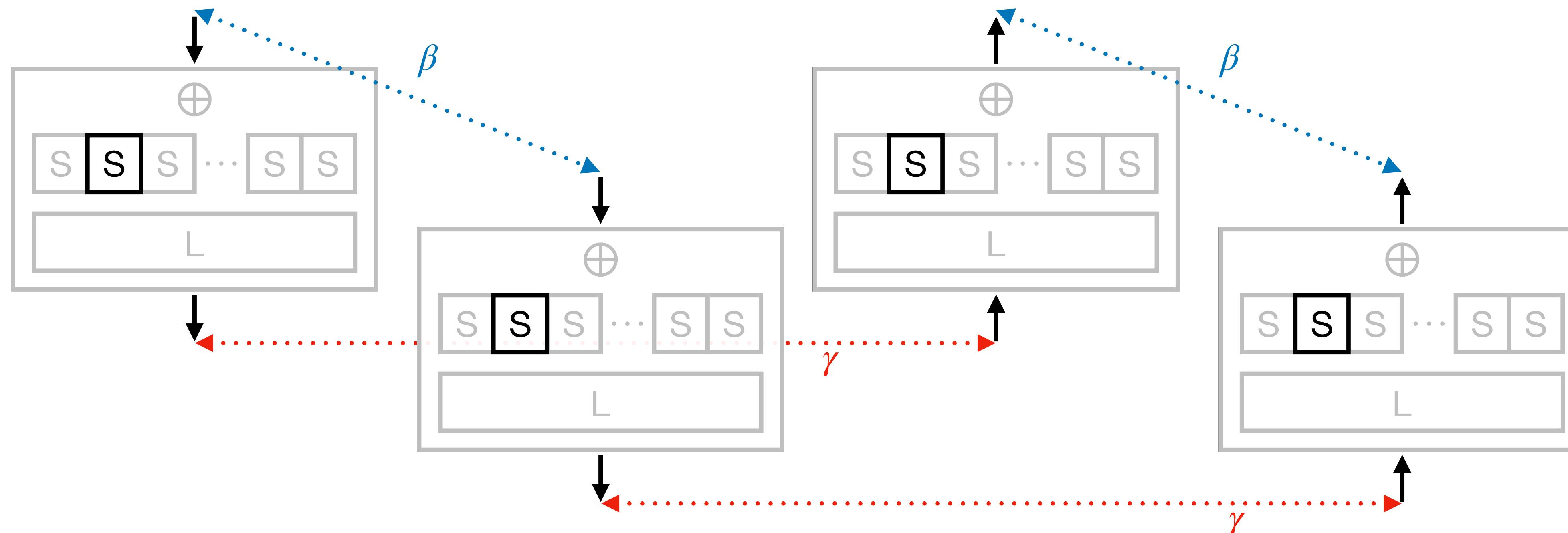


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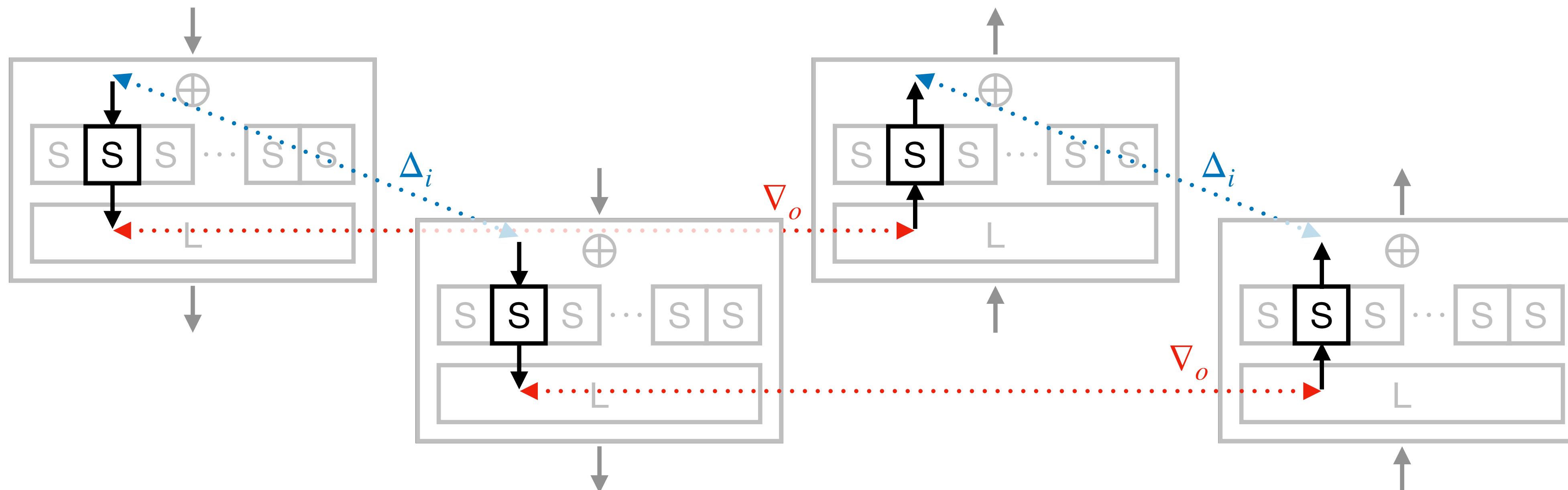


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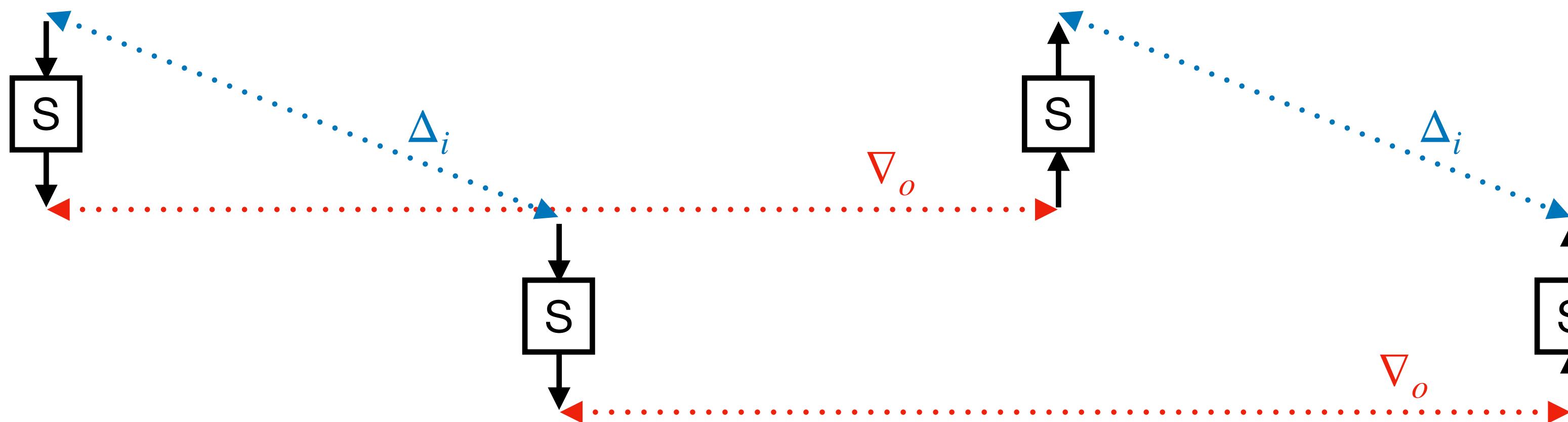
$$SE_m^{-1}(SE_m(X \oplus \oplus_o)) \oplus SE_m^{-1}(SE_m(X \oplus \oplus_i) \oplus \oplus_d) = \Delta_i$$

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Probability over 1 round = product of the probabilities over each S-box

$$S^{-1}(S(x) \oplus \nabla_o) \oplus S^{-1}(S(x \oplus \Delta_i) \oplus \nabla_o) = \Delta_i$$

The BCT

$$\text{BCT}(\Delta_i, \nabla_o) = \#\{x \mid S^{-1}(S(x) \oplus \nabla_o) \oplus S^{-1}(S(x \oplus \Delta_i) \oplus \nabla_o\}) = \Delta_i\}$$

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	a	b	c	d	e	f
0	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	
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f	16	0	0	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	0	

The BCT

The BCT detects cases where the boomerang **won't come back.**

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6	16	8	0	2	0	0	0	2	4	4	0	2	4	4	0	
7	16	8	0	2	0	0	0	2	4	4	2	0	4	4	2	
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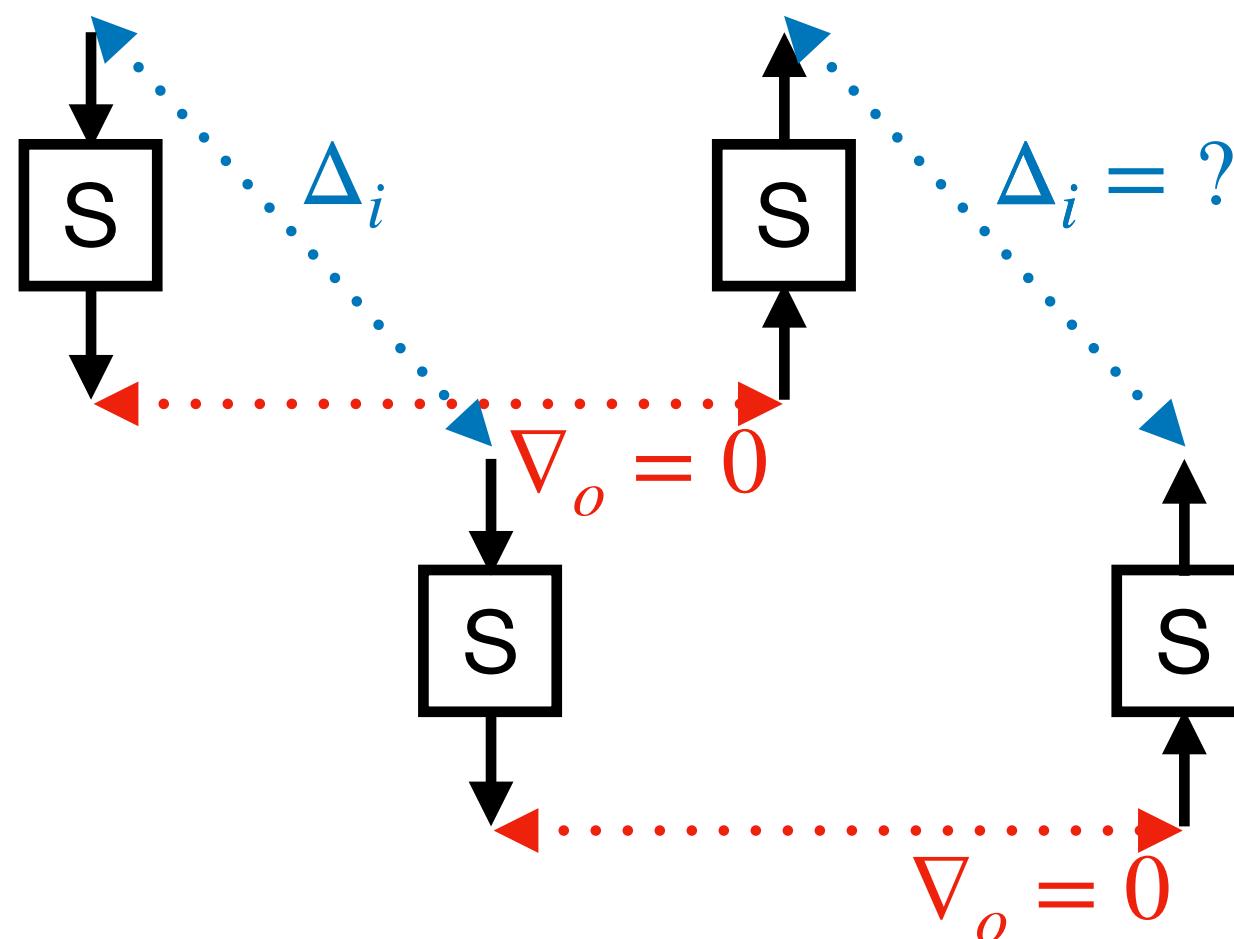
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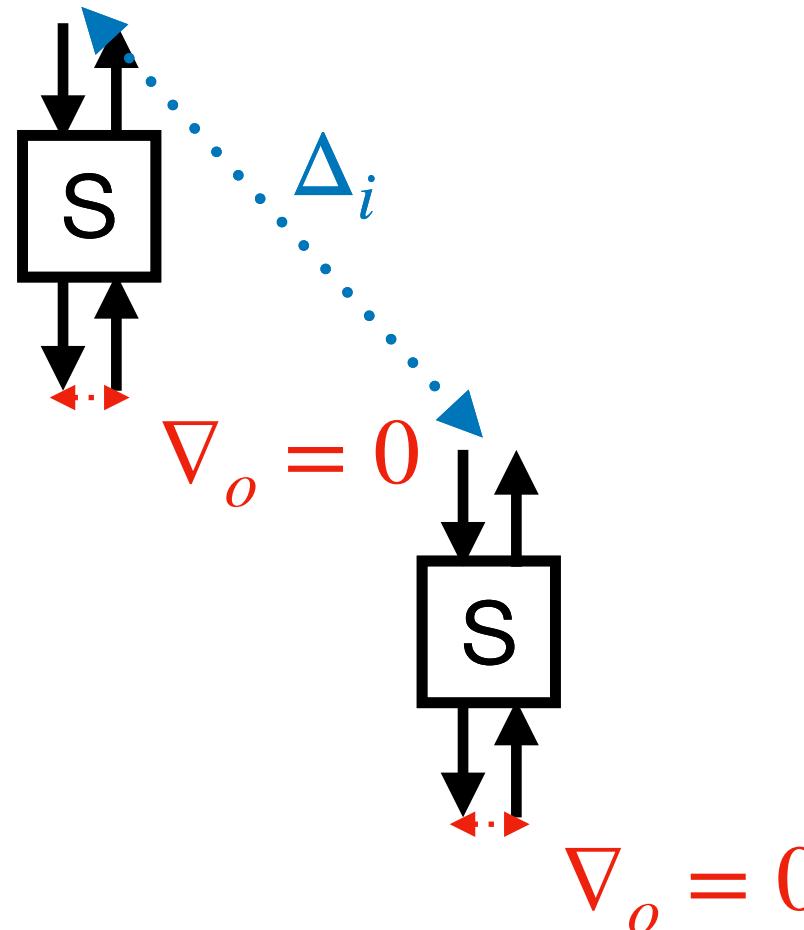


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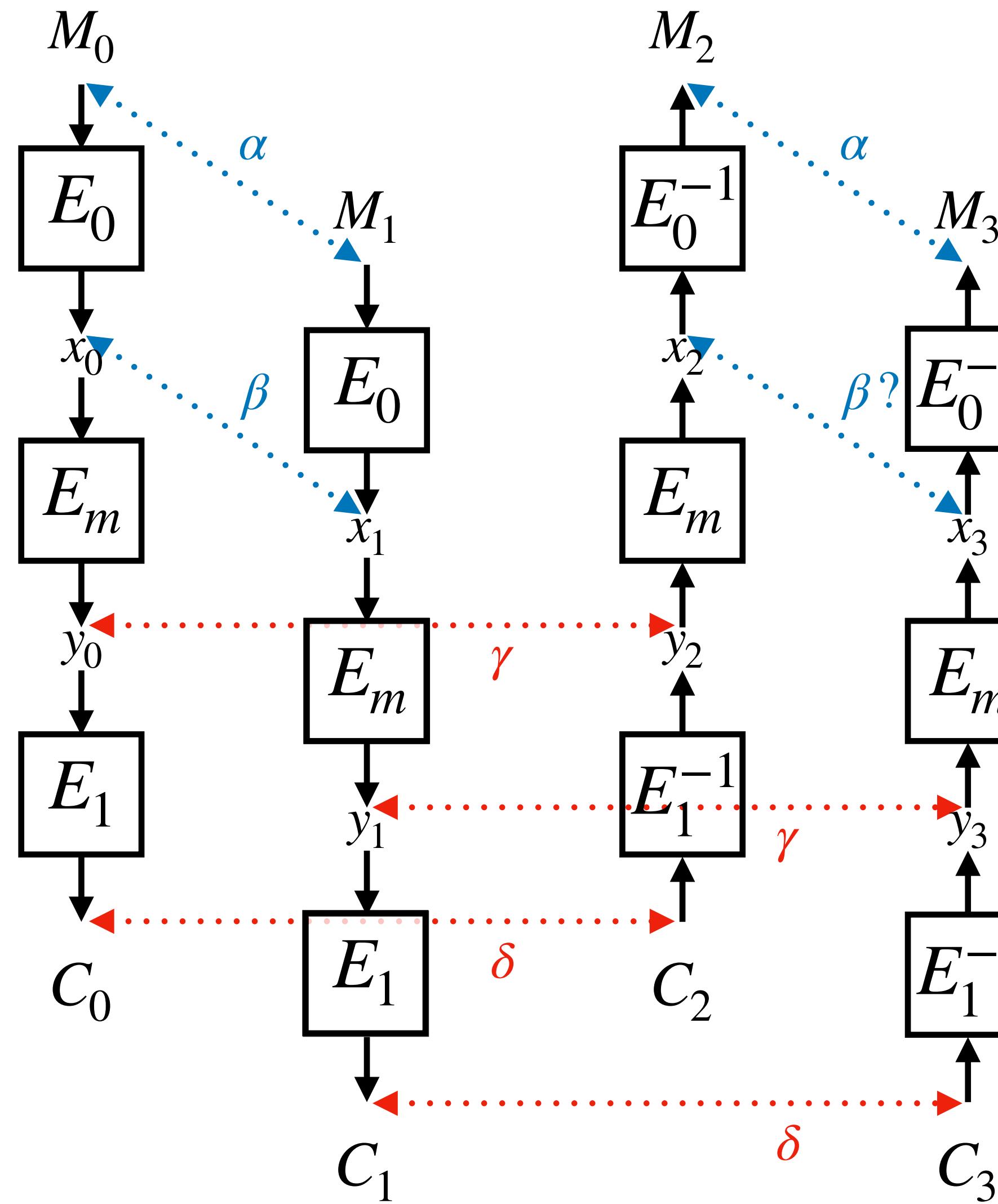
The BCT Recap

- Reduces the problem of computing the boomerang switch over 1 round of SPN to the one of computing it over each S-box of its nonlinear layer
- Easily gives incompatibility, Ladder switch (+ S-box switch)
- Gives a new criteria for S-boxes

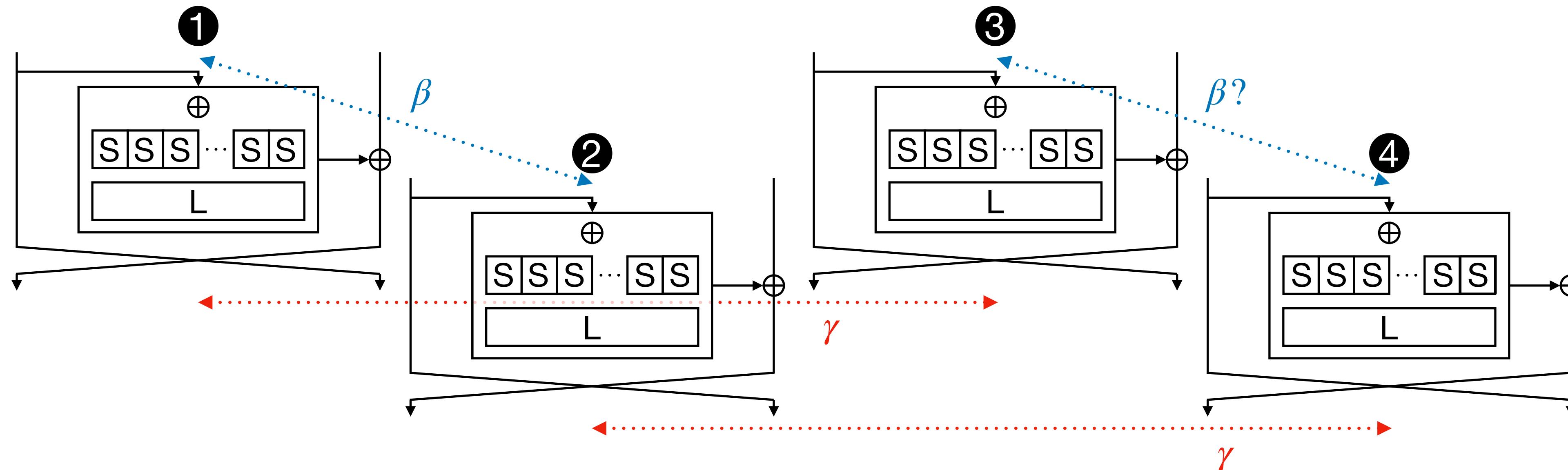
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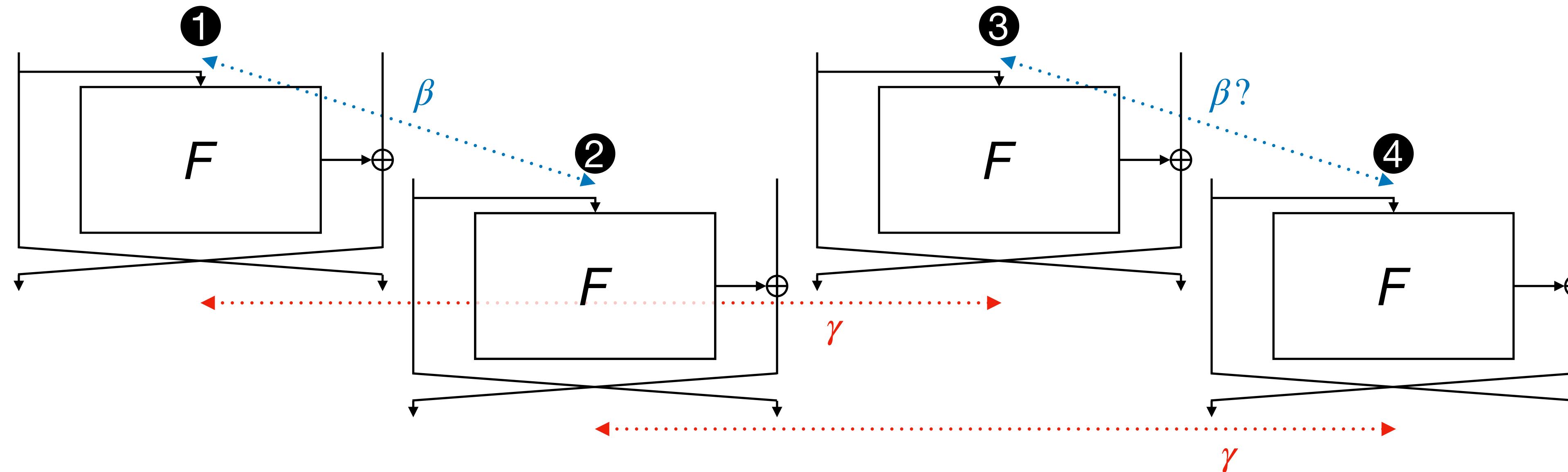
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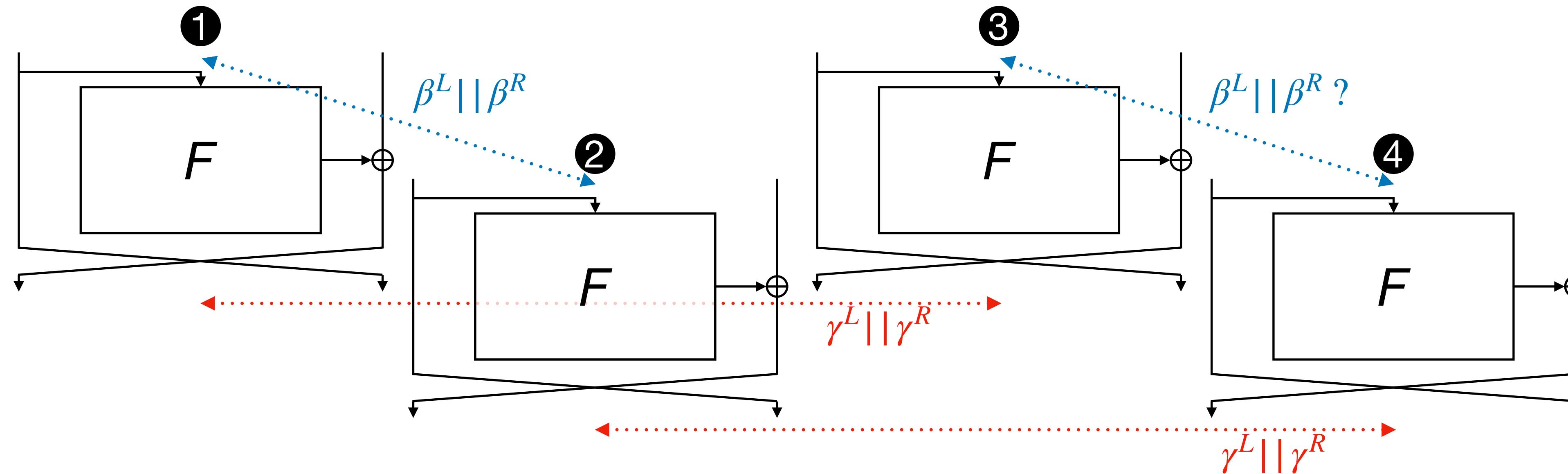
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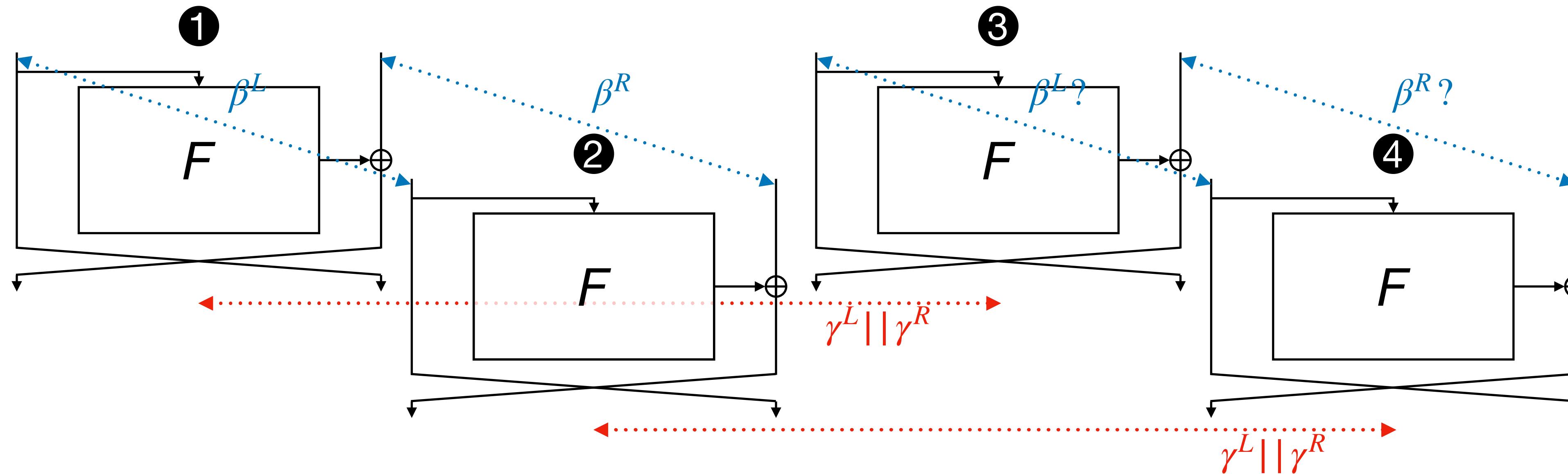
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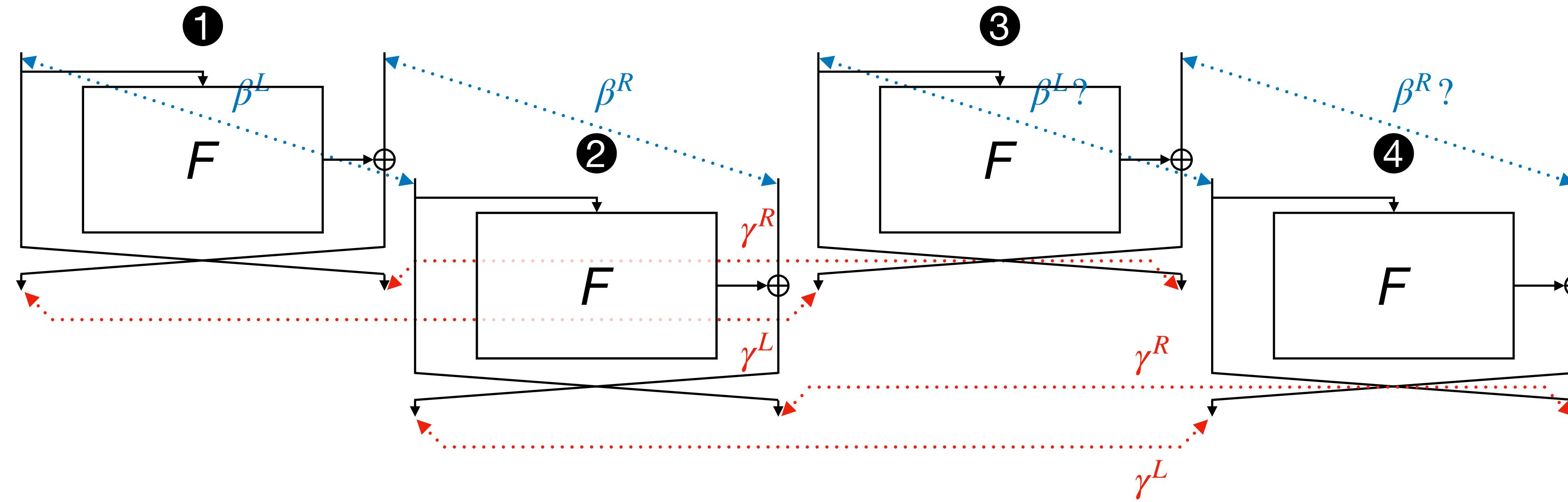
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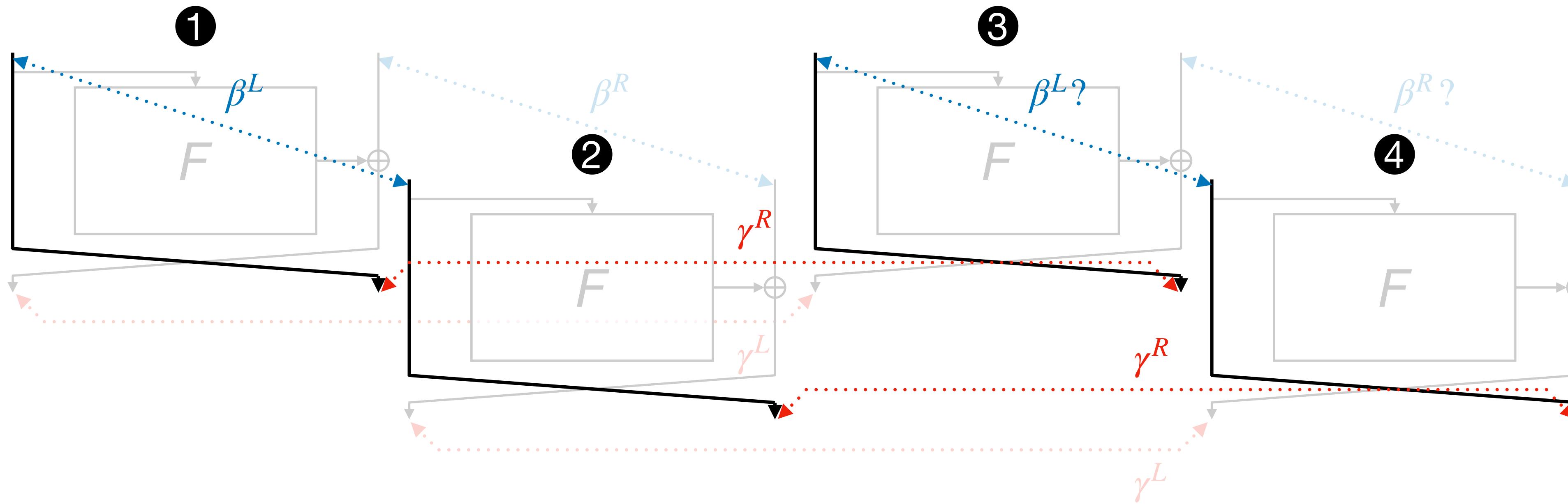
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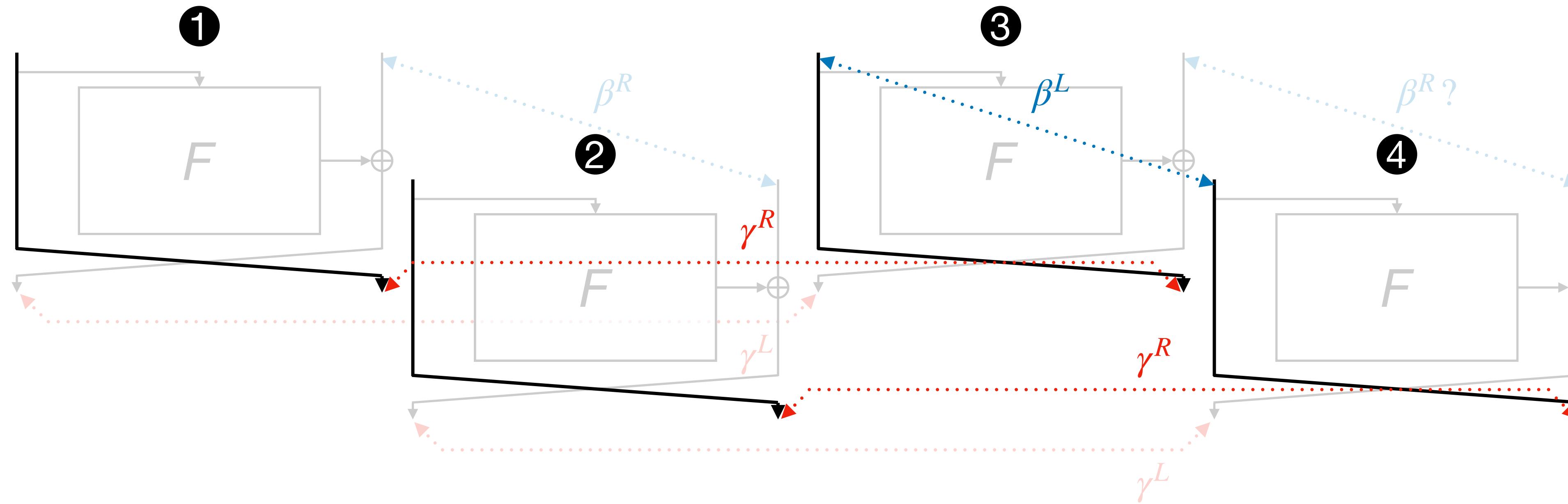
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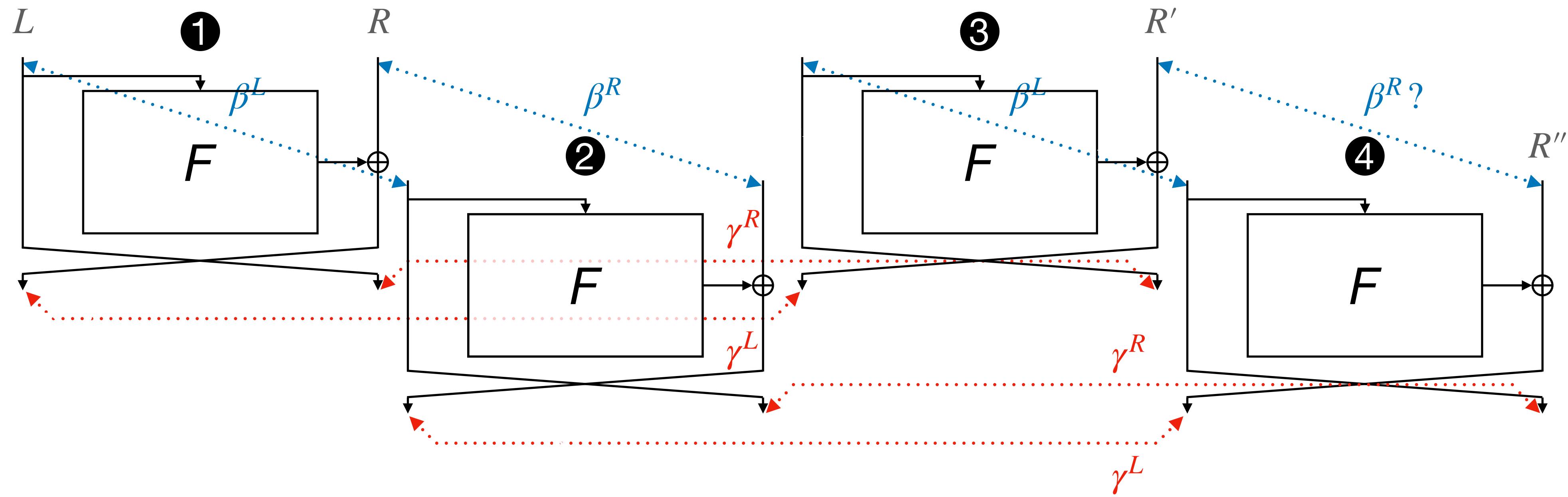


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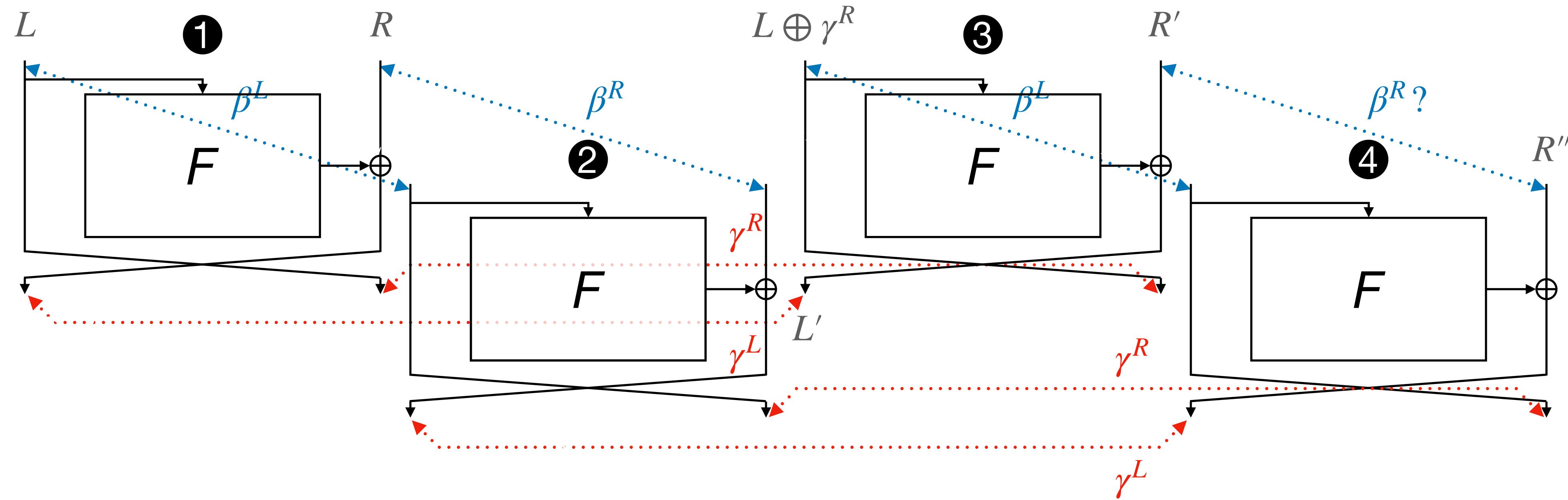
The left part of the difference comes for free.

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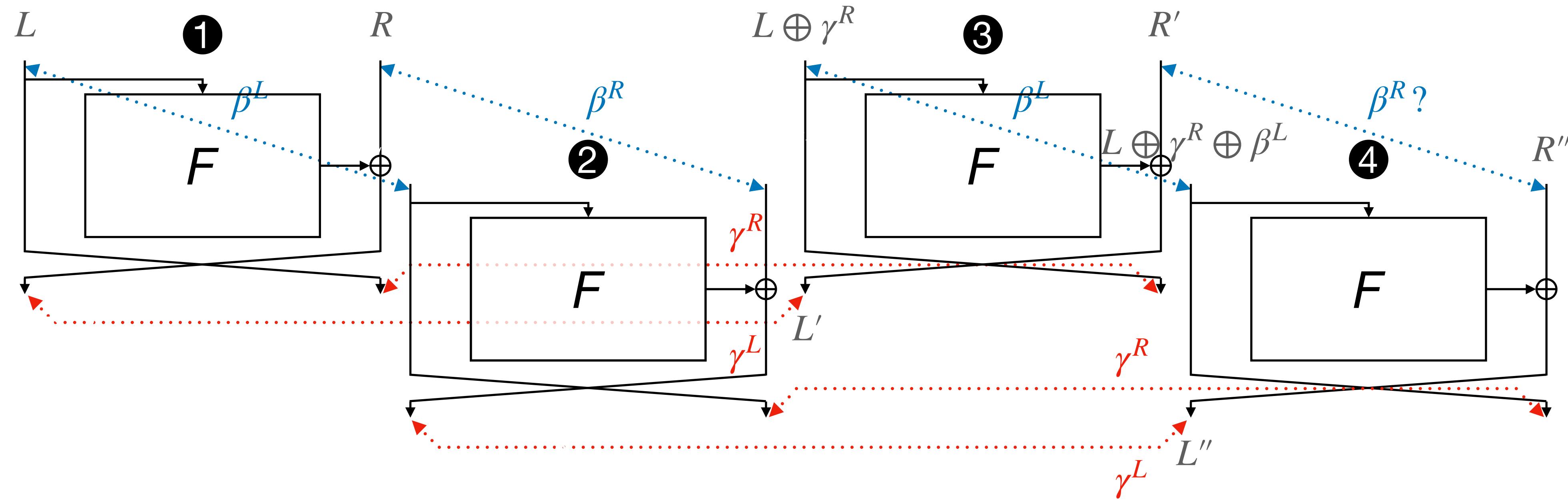
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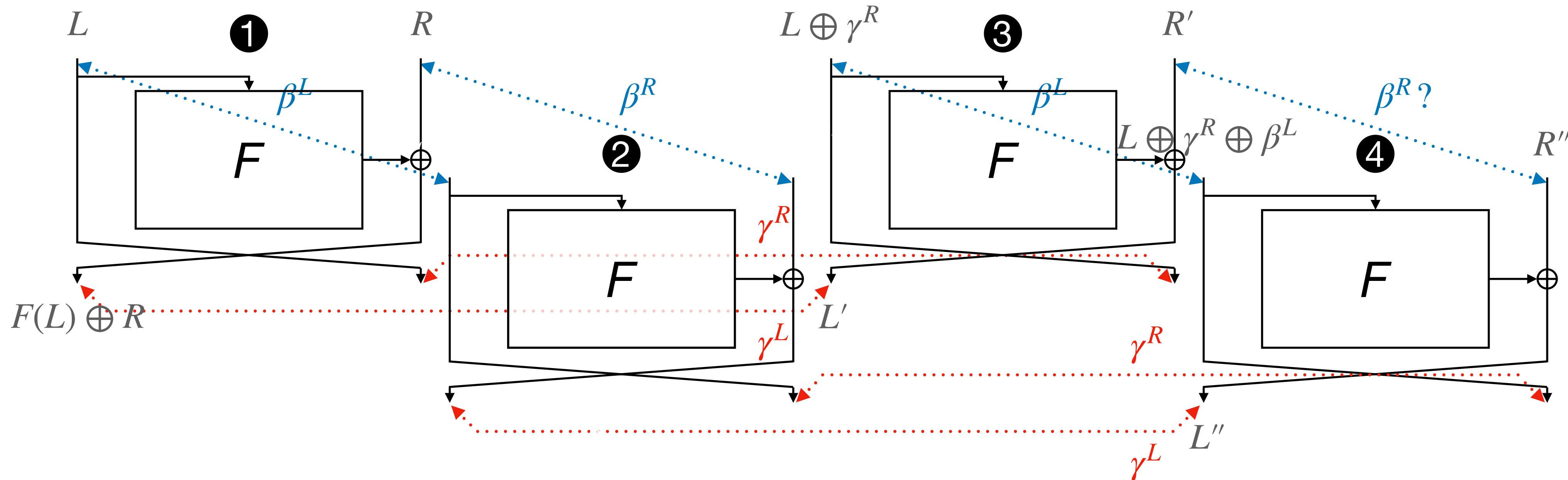
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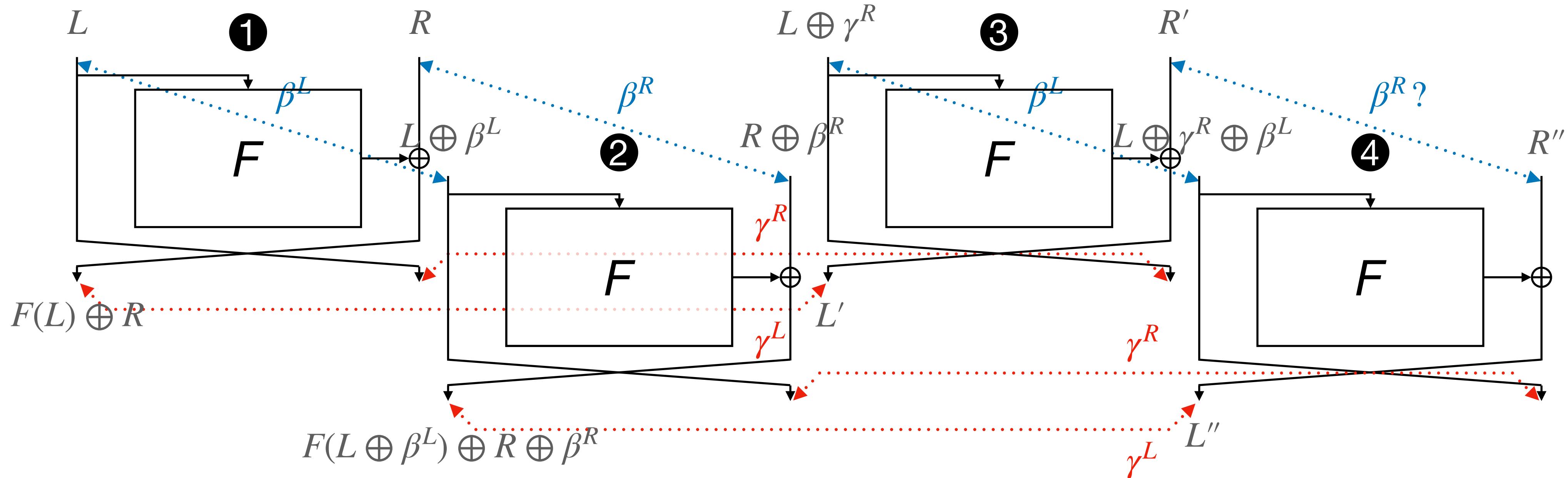
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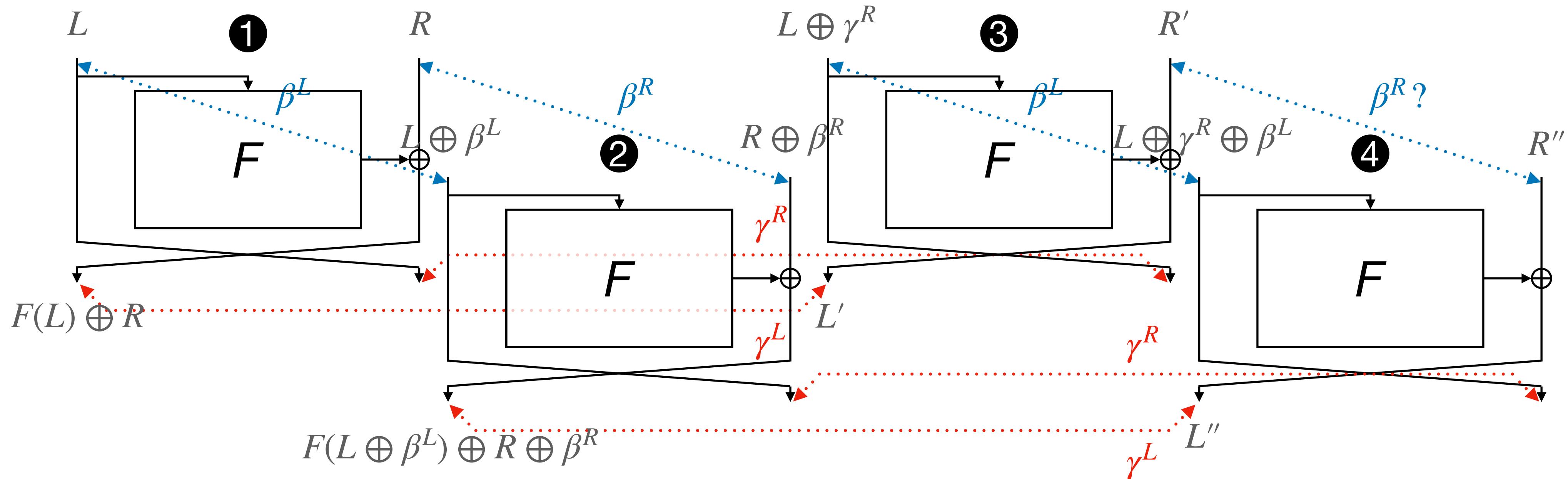
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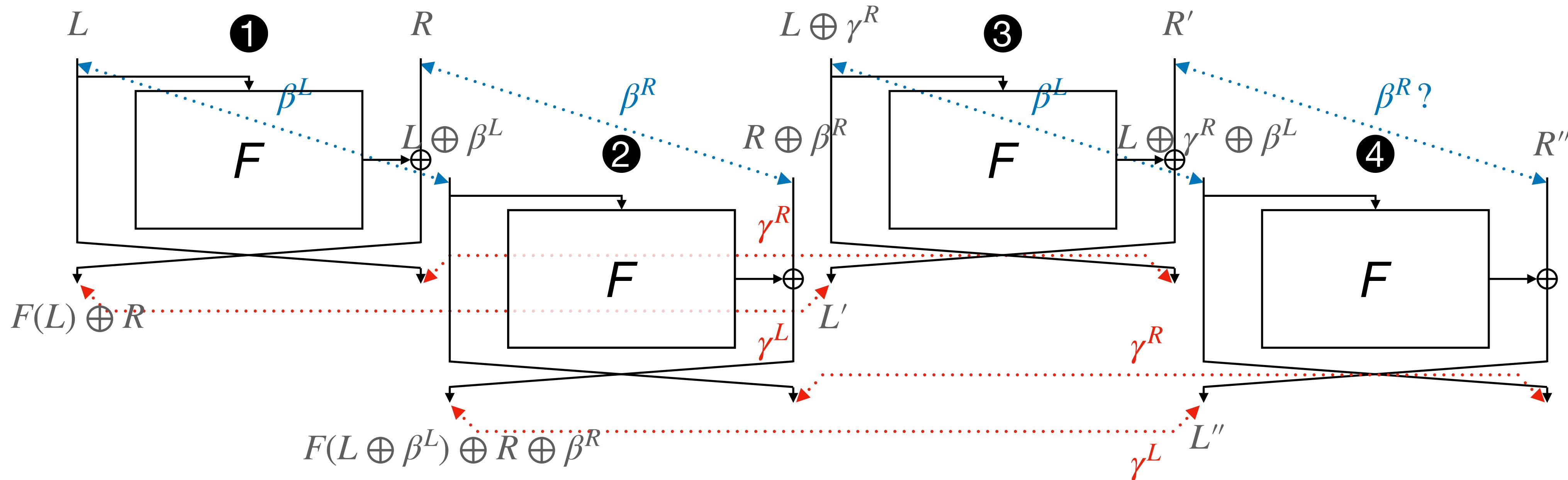
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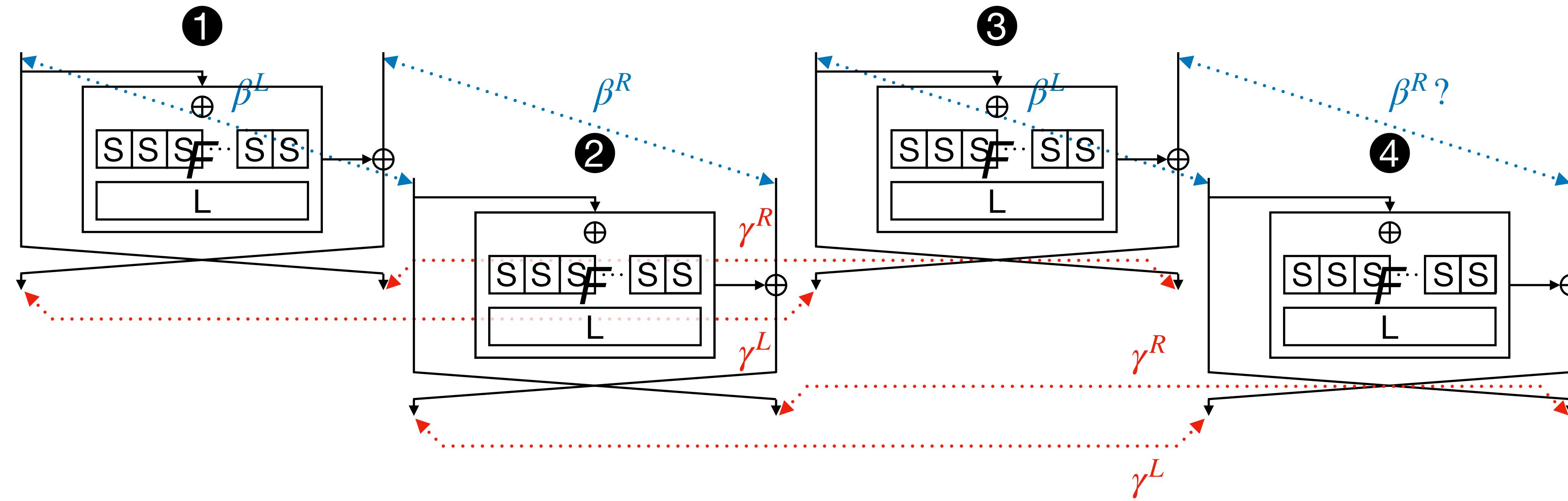


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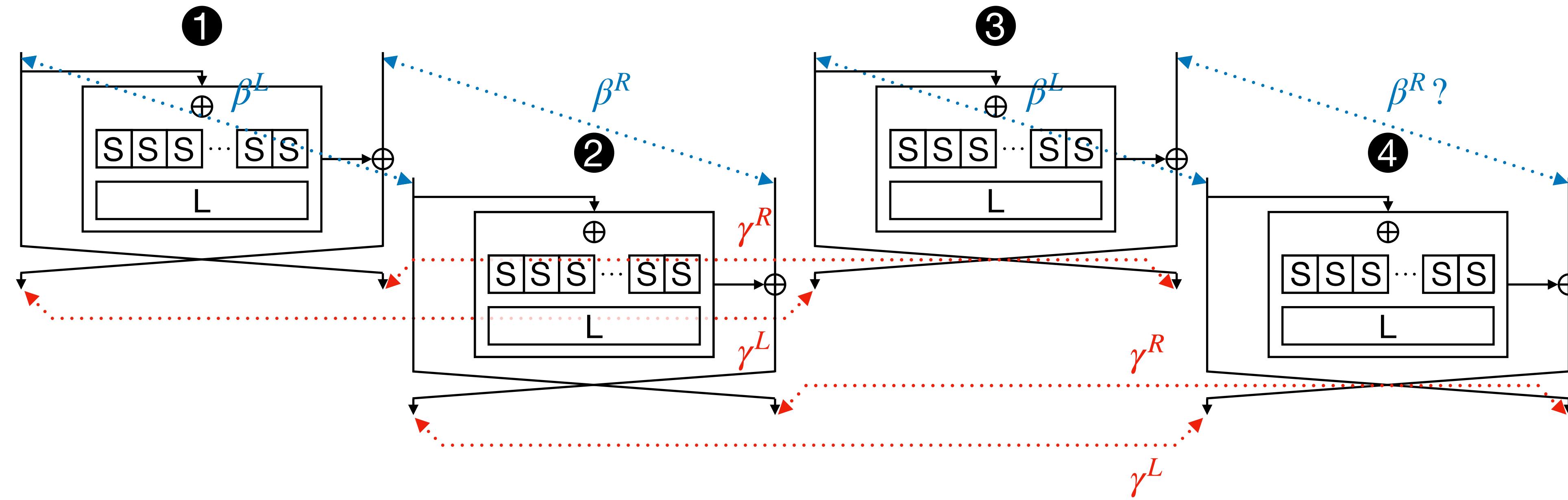
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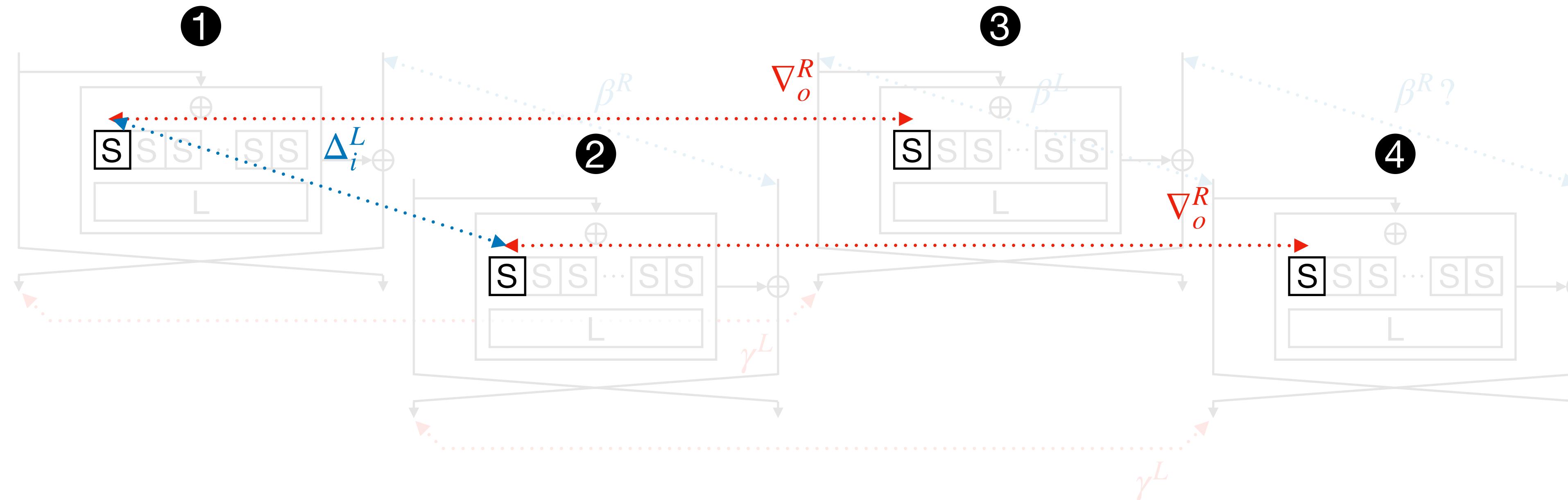
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second derivative canceling out

Properties of the FBCT

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Symmetry: $\text{FBCT}(\Delta_i, \nabla_o) = \text{FBCT}(\nabla_o, \Delta_i)$

Diagonal: $\text{FBCT}(\Delta_i, \Delta_i) = 2^n$

Multiplicity: $\text{FBCT}(\Delta_i, \nabla_o) \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$

Equalities: $\text{FBCT}(\Delta_i, \nabla_o) = \text{FBCT}(\Delta_i, \Delta_i \oplus \nabla_o)$

The Feistel switch

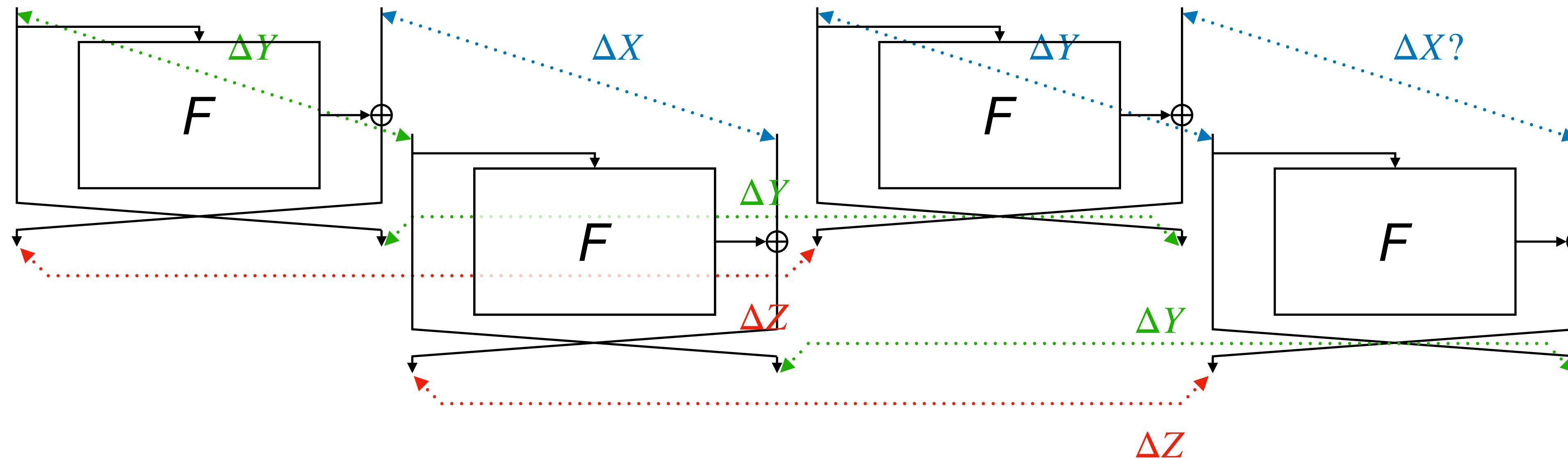
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[Related-key Cryptanalysis of the Full AES-192 and AES-256](#)
Biryukov & Khovratovich, ASIACRYPT 2009

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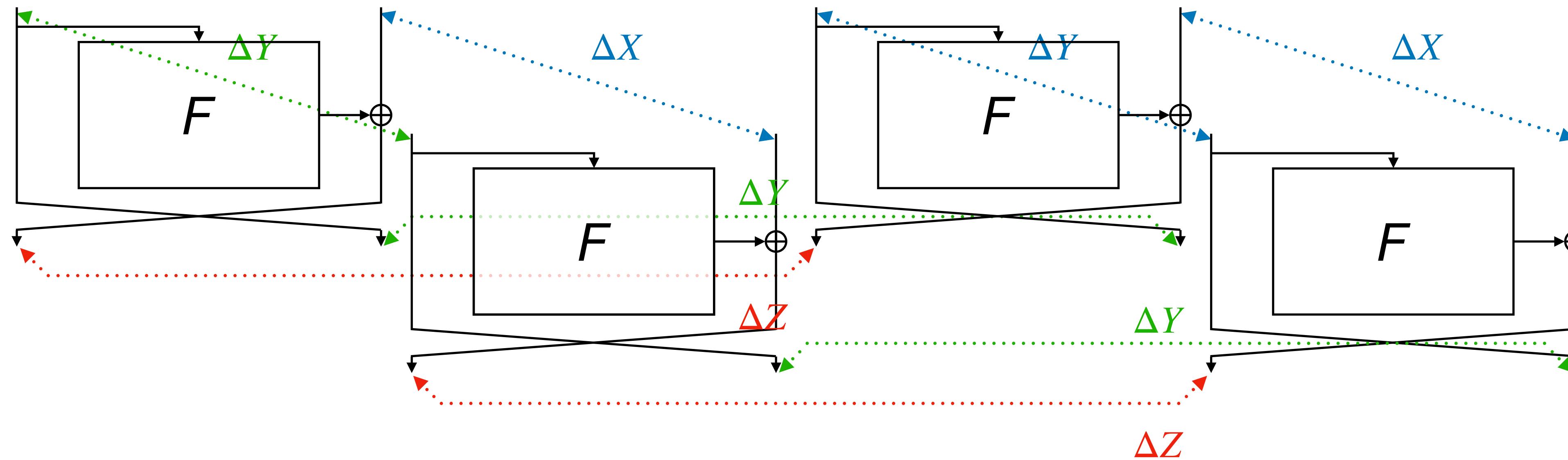
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a	16	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	8	0	0	0	0	0
b	16	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	16	0	0	0	0	0
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e.g. $S = [1, 3, 6, 5, 2, 4, 7, 0]$

8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	2	2	0	0	2	2	2
0	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	2
0	0	2	2	2	2	0	0	0
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DDT

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FBCT

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BCT

Comparing the BCT and the FBCT

Boomerang uniformity for the **SPN** case:

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 [On the Boomerang Uniformity of Cryptographic Sboxes](#)
Boura & Canteaut, *ToSC* 2018

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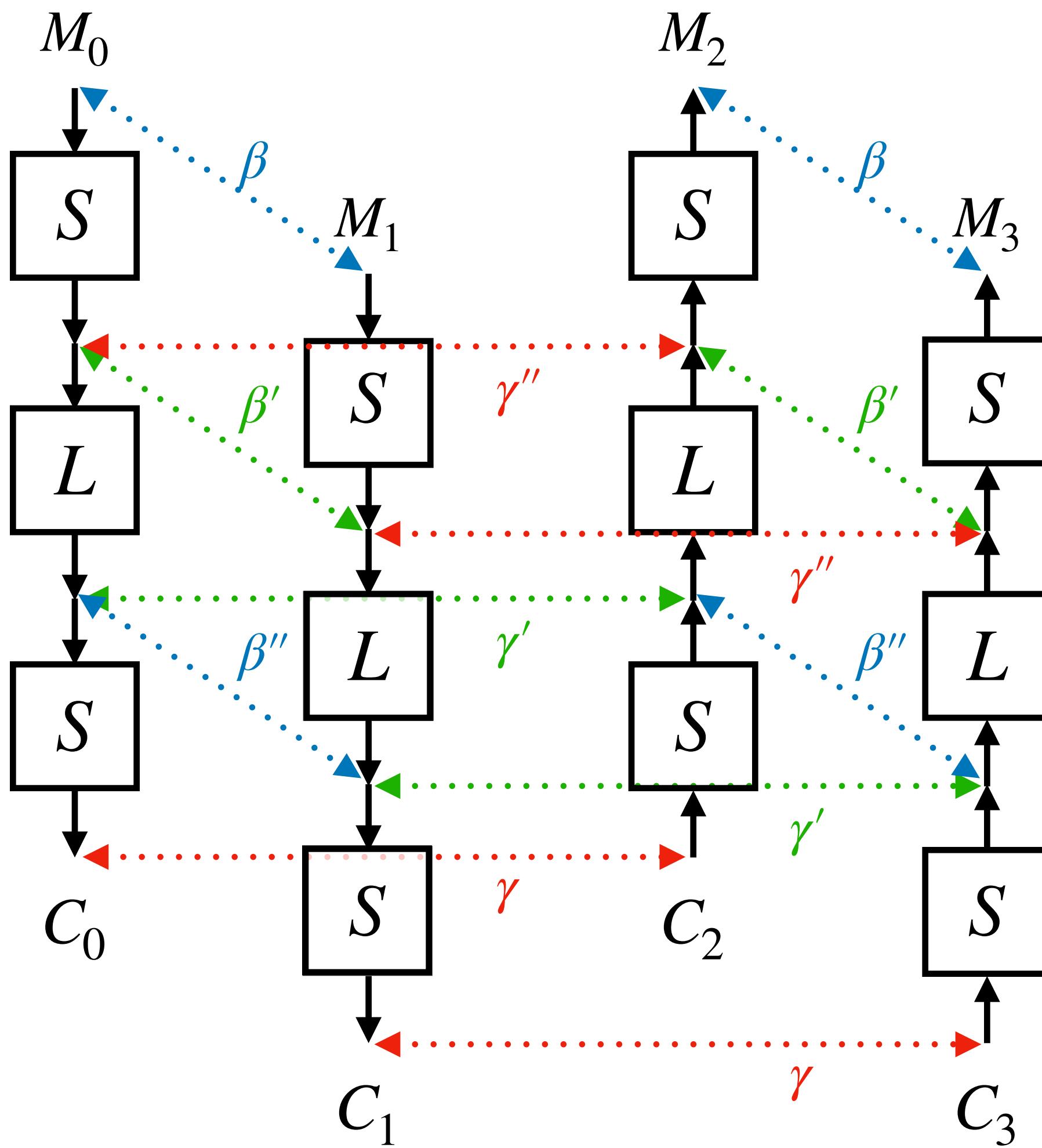
Boomerang uniformity preserved under	BCT	FBCT
Affine equivalence	✓	✓
Extended-affine equivalence	✗	✓
CCZ equivalence	✗	✗
Inversion (if S is invertible)	✓	✗

A good S-box for an SPN is a good S-box for a Feistel regarding many usual criteria (**differential, linear, algebraic degree**)

But its behavior can be different regarding boomerang switches if we use it in an SPN or a Feistel.

Boomerang switches over more rounds

Two-round case



Boomerang Switch in Multiple Rounds

Wang & Peyrin, *ToSC 2019*

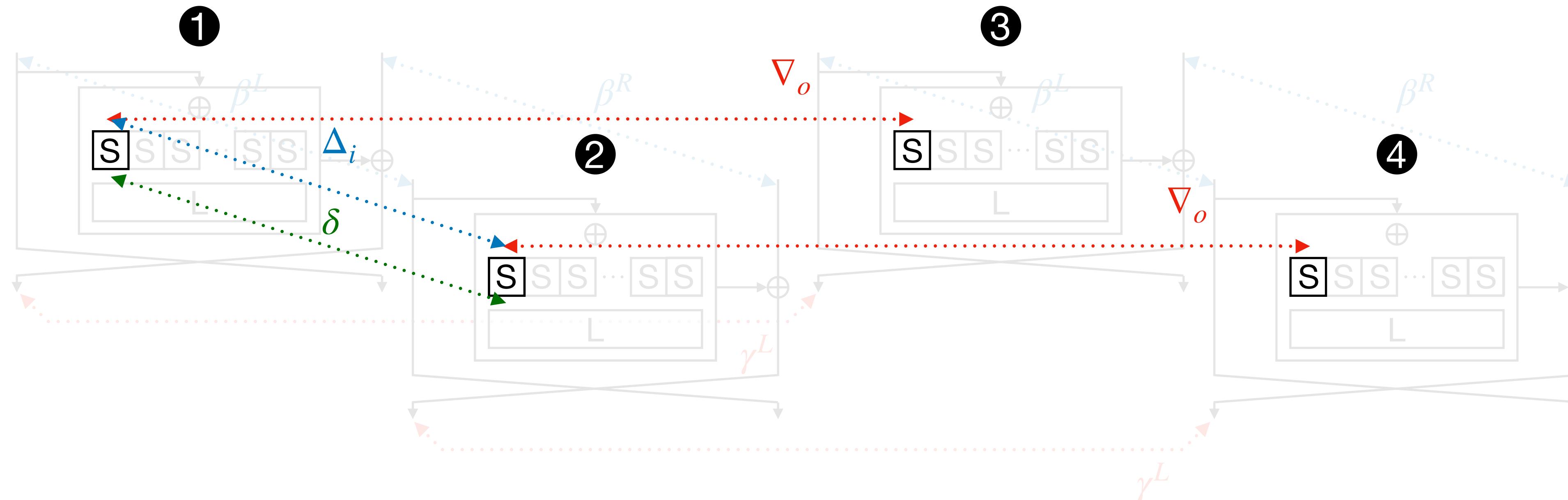
Boomerang Connectivity Table Revisited. Application to SKINNY and AES

Song, Qin & Hu, *ToSC 2019*

$$BDT(\beta, \beta', \gamma'') = \#\{x \mid S^{-1}(S(x) \oplus \gamma'') \oplus S^{-1}(S(x \oplus \beta) \oplus \gamma'') = \beta, \\ S(x) \oplus S(x \oplus \beta) = \beta'\}$$

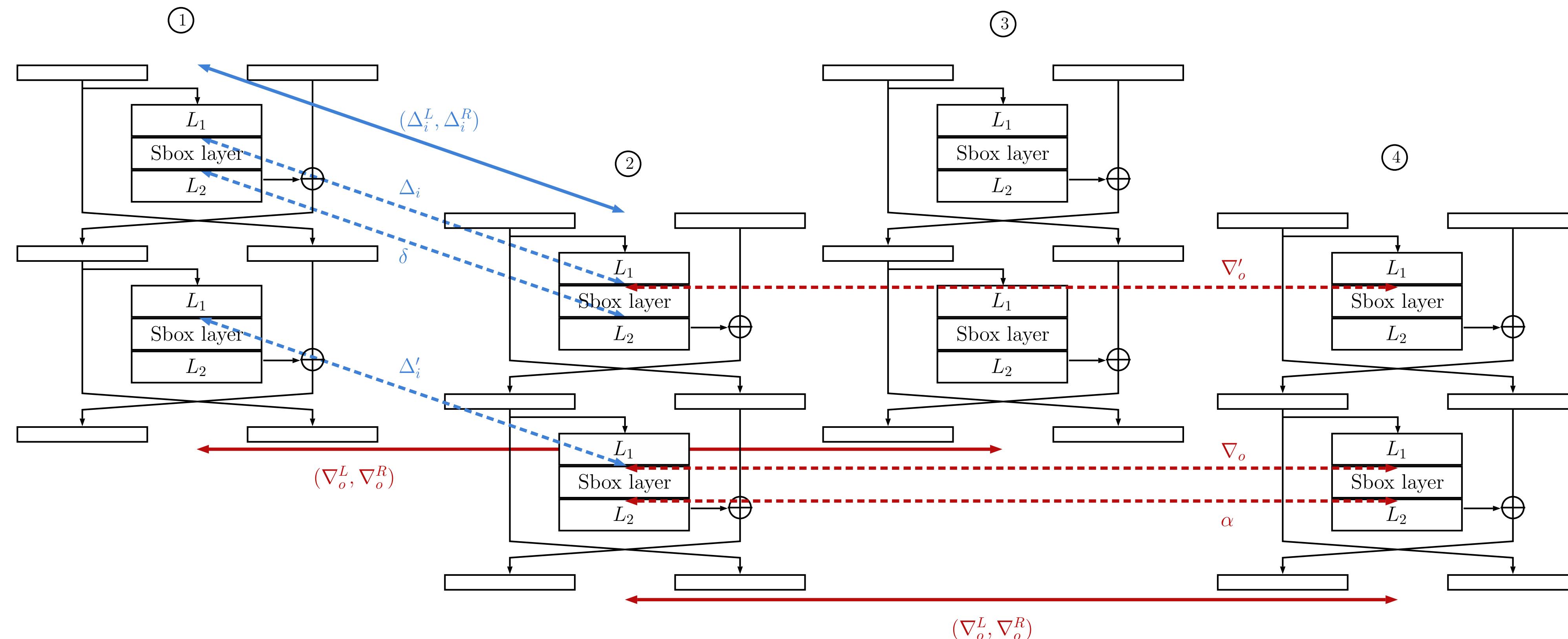
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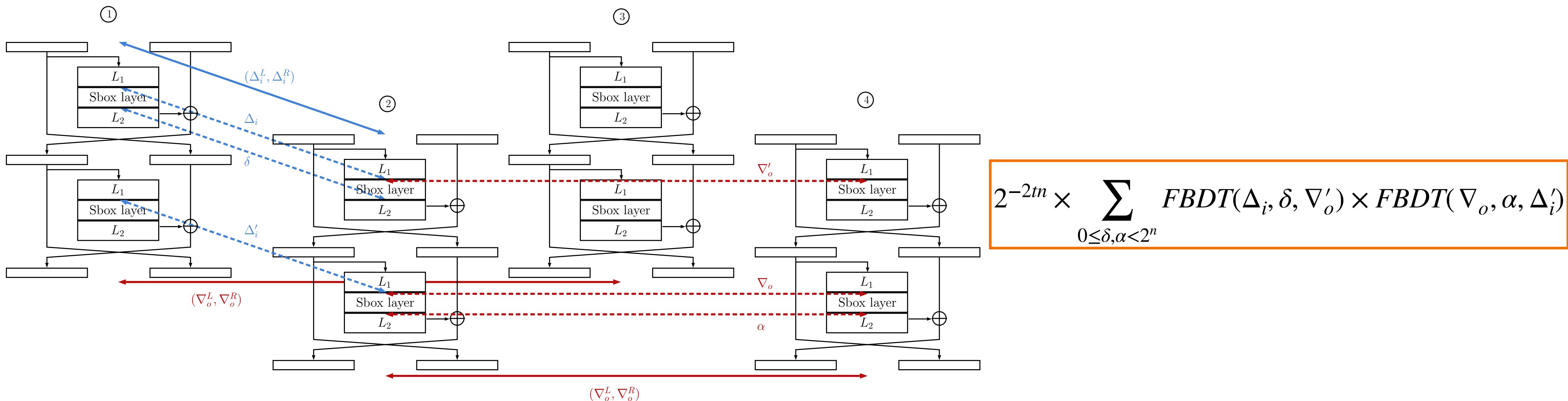
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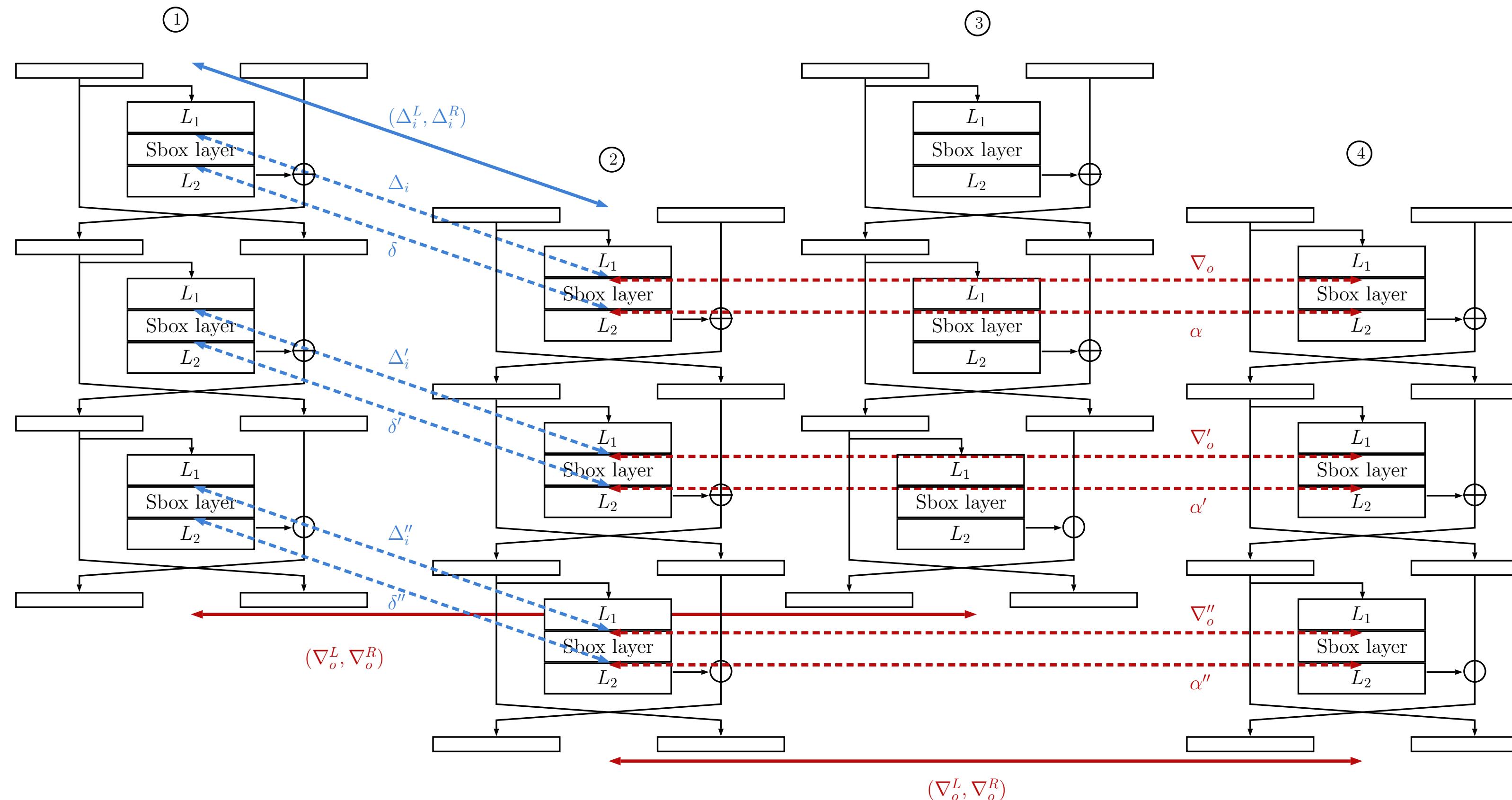
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Switches over 3 rounds and more...



FBET table:

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Conclusion

- Introduction of the **FBCT**, a new tool that:
 - easily evaluates the probability of a 1-round boomerang switch
 - gives a new criterion when choosing an S-box for a Feistel cipher
- Proposal of a **generic formula** for a switch over many rounds:
 - evaluation is computationally expensive if E_m covers many rounds with many active S-boxes
 - might be preferable to evaluate it experimentally

Thank you for your attention.