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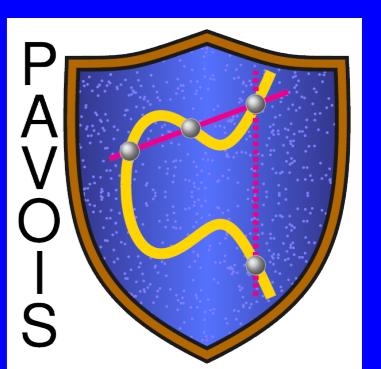
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## 1. Elliptic Curve Cryptography (ECC)

Elliptic curve over  $\mathbb{F}_P$ :  $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$  with  $P$  a  $\ell$ -bit prime

Security levels:  $\ell \in \{160, \dots, 600\}$  bits

Curve level operations:

- point addition (ADD):  $\mathbf{Q} + \mathbf{Q}'$
- point doubling (DBL):  $\mathbf{Q} + \mathbf{Q}$
- scalar multiplication:  

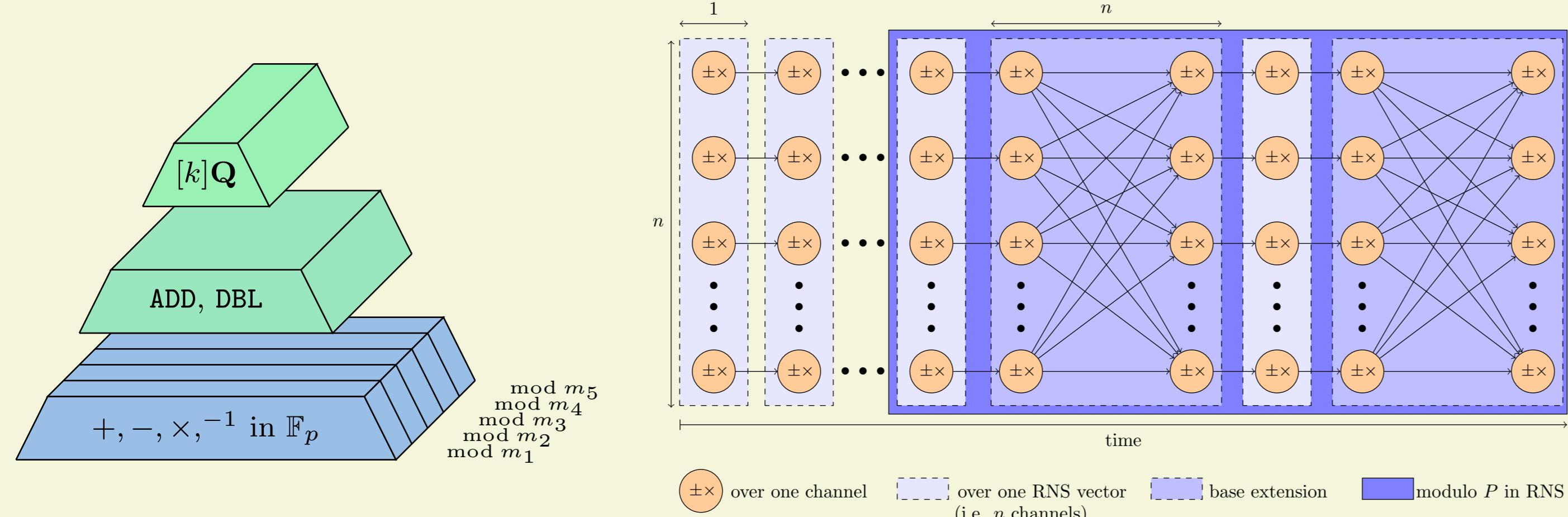
$$[k]\mathbf{Q} = \underbrace{\mathbf{Q} + \mathbf{Q} + \dots + \mathbf{Q}}_{k \text{ times}}$$

Security (ECDLP): knowing  $\mathbf{Q}$  and  $[k]\mathbf{Q}$ ,  $k$  cannot be recovered

ECDLP : Elliptic Curve Discrete Logarithm Problem

## 3. RNS Computation Flow in ECC Applications

RNS allows to perform some field level operations in parallel



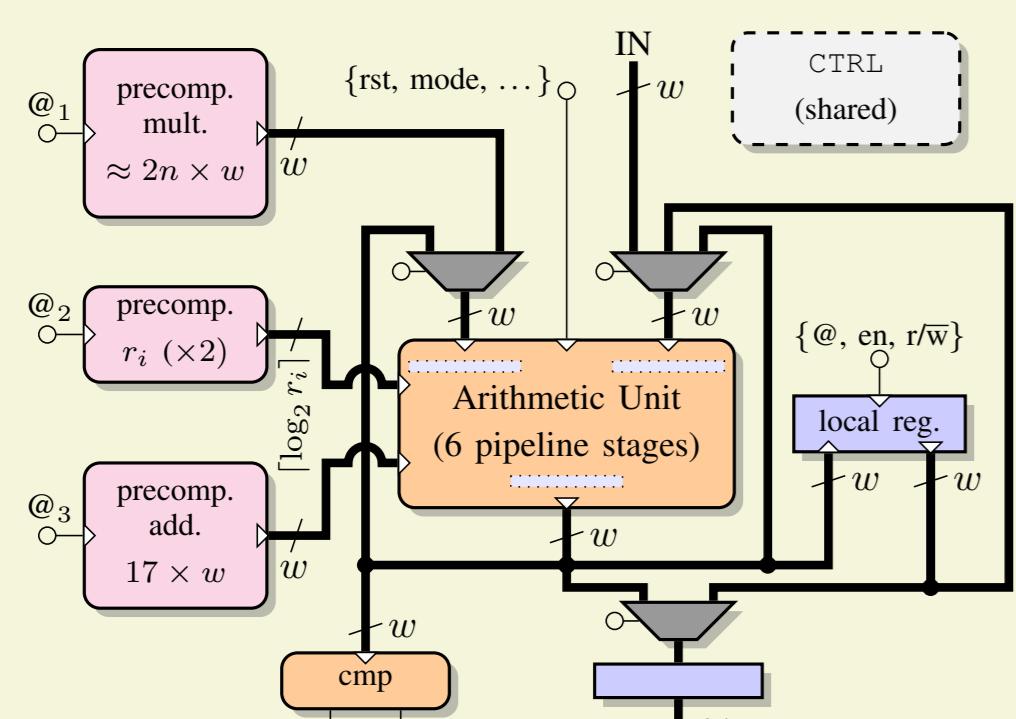
## 5. New RNS Modular Inversion (MI) (CHES 2013)

State-of-the-art RNS MI methods:

- based on Fermat's Little Theorem (FLT-MI):  $X^{-1} = X^{P-2} \bmod P$  i.e. a large exponentiation with a lot of modular reductions which costs  $O(\log_2 P \times n^2)$  EMMS
- very limited parallelization due to internal data dependencies

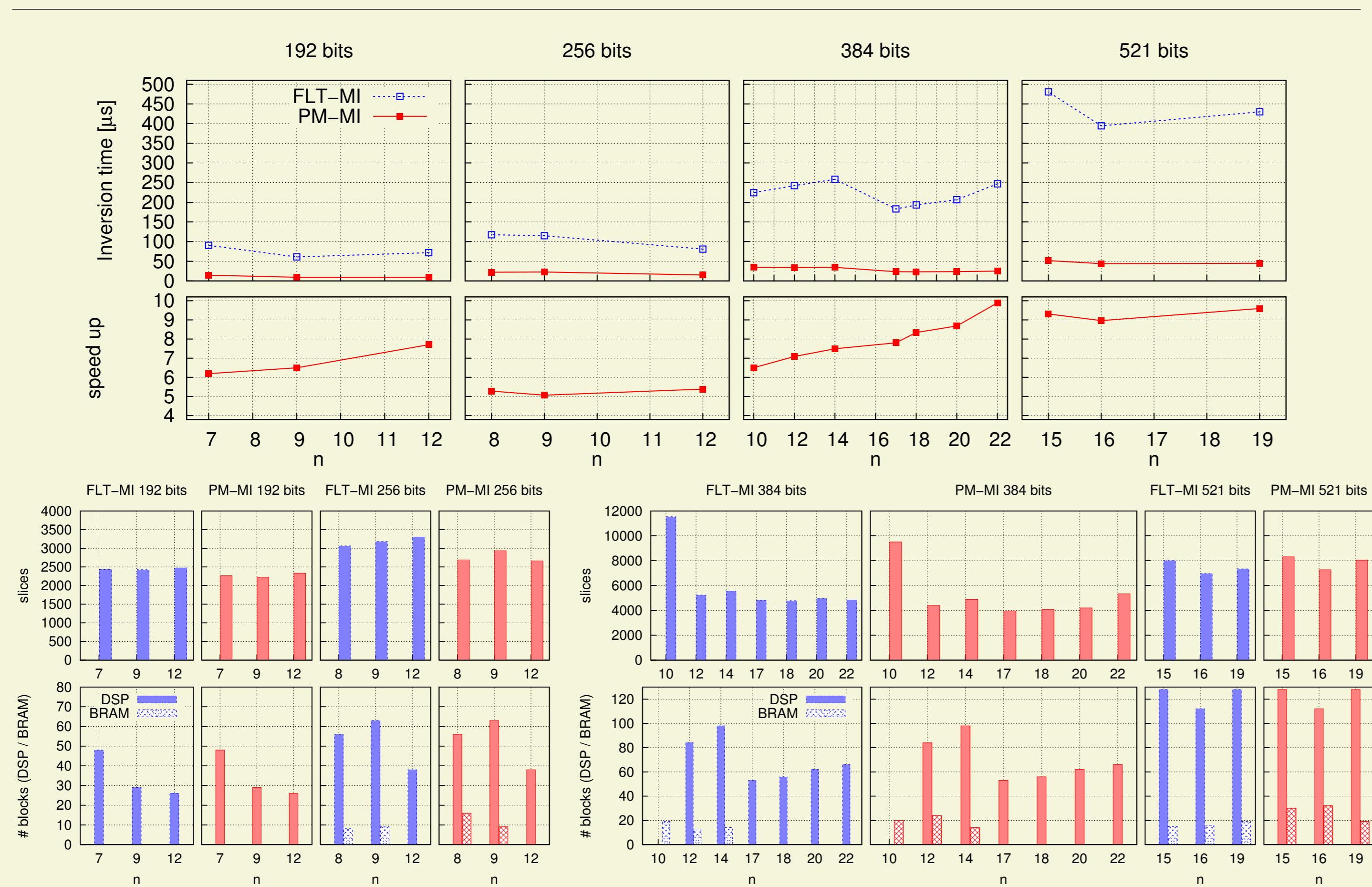
Proposed method PM-MI:

- extended binary Euclidean algorithm (binary-ternary version)
- uses the plus-minus trick:  
if  $X$  and  $Y$  are odd then  $X + Y = 0 \bmod 4$  or  $X - Y = 0 \bmod 4$
- PM-MI works without BE and costs  $O(\log_2 P \times n)$  EMMS



Example: # EMMS for  $\ell = 192$  bits

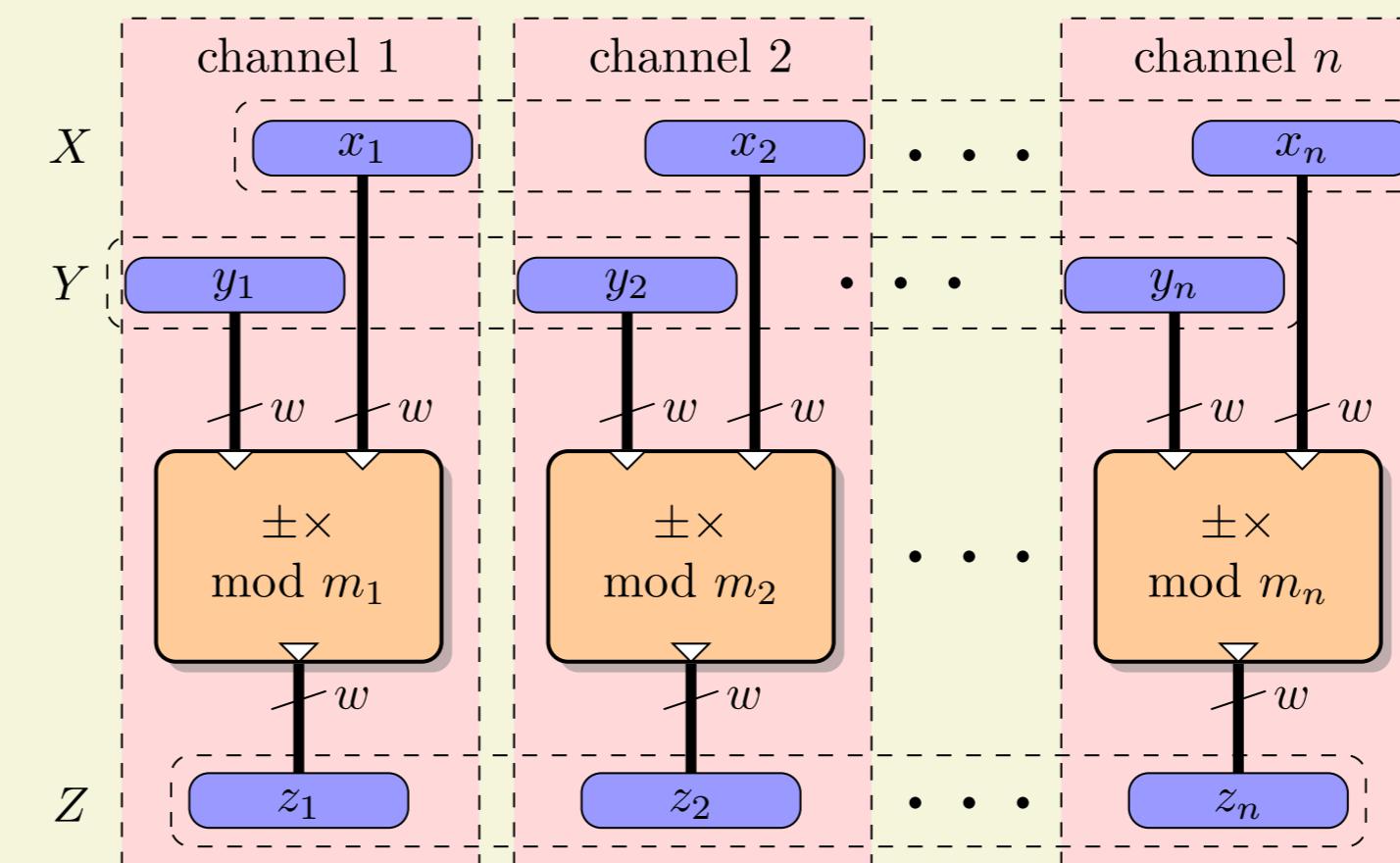
$n \times w$	FLT-MI	PM-MI	Gain Factor
12 × 17	103140	5474	18
9 × 22	61884	4106	15
7 × 29	40110	3193	12



## 2. Residue Number System (RNS)

$X$  a large  $\ell$ -bit integer is represented by:

$$\vec{X} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) = (X \bmod m_1, \dots, X \bmod m_n)$$



RNS base  $\mathcal{B} = (m_1, \dots, m_n)$   
 $n$  pairwise  $w$ -bit co-primes  
with  $n \times w \geq \ell$

The Chinese remainder theorem (CRT) is the base of RNS

EMM elementary modular multiplication ( $w$  bits)

### Pros:

- carry free between channels
- fast parallel  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $\times$  and some exact divisions
- non-positional number system, randomization against SCAs
- flexibility for hardware implementations

### Cons:

- comparison, modular reduction and division are much harder

## 4. State-of-the-Art Algorithms and Architectures

### RNS Montgomery Reduction

Input:  $\vec{X}, \vec{X}'$

Output:  $(\vec{\omega}, \vec{\omega}')$  with  $\omega \equiv X \times M^{-1} \bmod P$

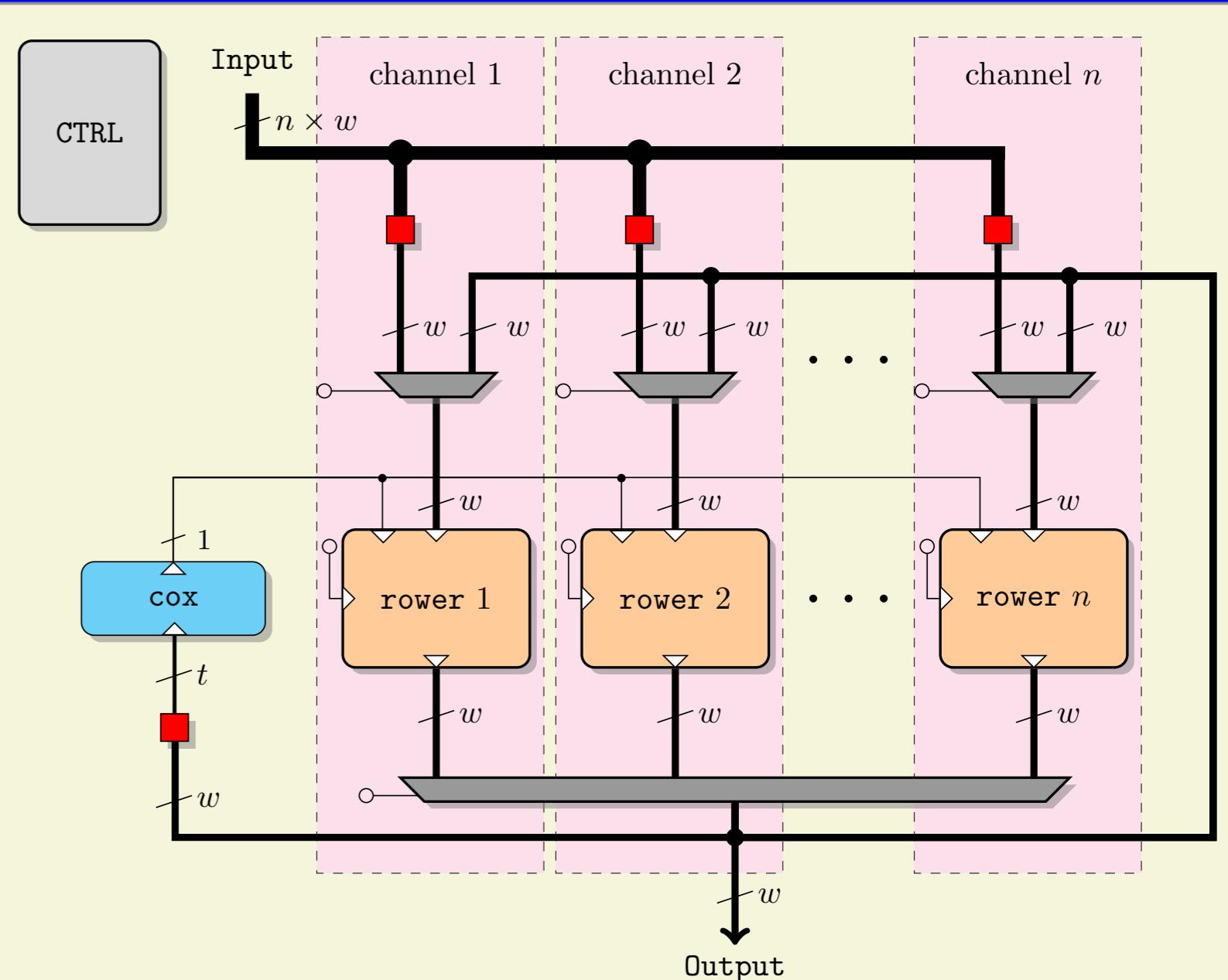
$$\vec{Q} \leftarrow \vec{X} \times (-\vec{P}^{-1}) \quad (\text{in base } \mathcal{B})$$

$$\vec{Q}' \leftarrow \text{BE}(\vec{Q}, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{B}')$$

$$\vec{S}' \leftarrow \vec{X}' + \vec{Q}' \times \vec{P}' \quad (\text{in base } \mathcal{B}')$$

$$\vec{\omega}' \leftarrow \vec{S}' \times \vec{M}^{-1} \quad (\text{in base } \mathcal{B}')$$

$$\vec{\omega} \leftarrow \text{BE}(\vec{\omega}', \mathcal{B}', \mathcal{B})$$



BE: base extension

$$M = \prod m_i$$

## 6. Fast Patterns for RNS Computations

(ASAP 2014)

Cost of standard and modular multiplications in RNS:

- standard:  $n$  EMMS
- modular:  $2n^2 + O(n)$  EMMS

fully parallel  
1 mult. & 1 red.

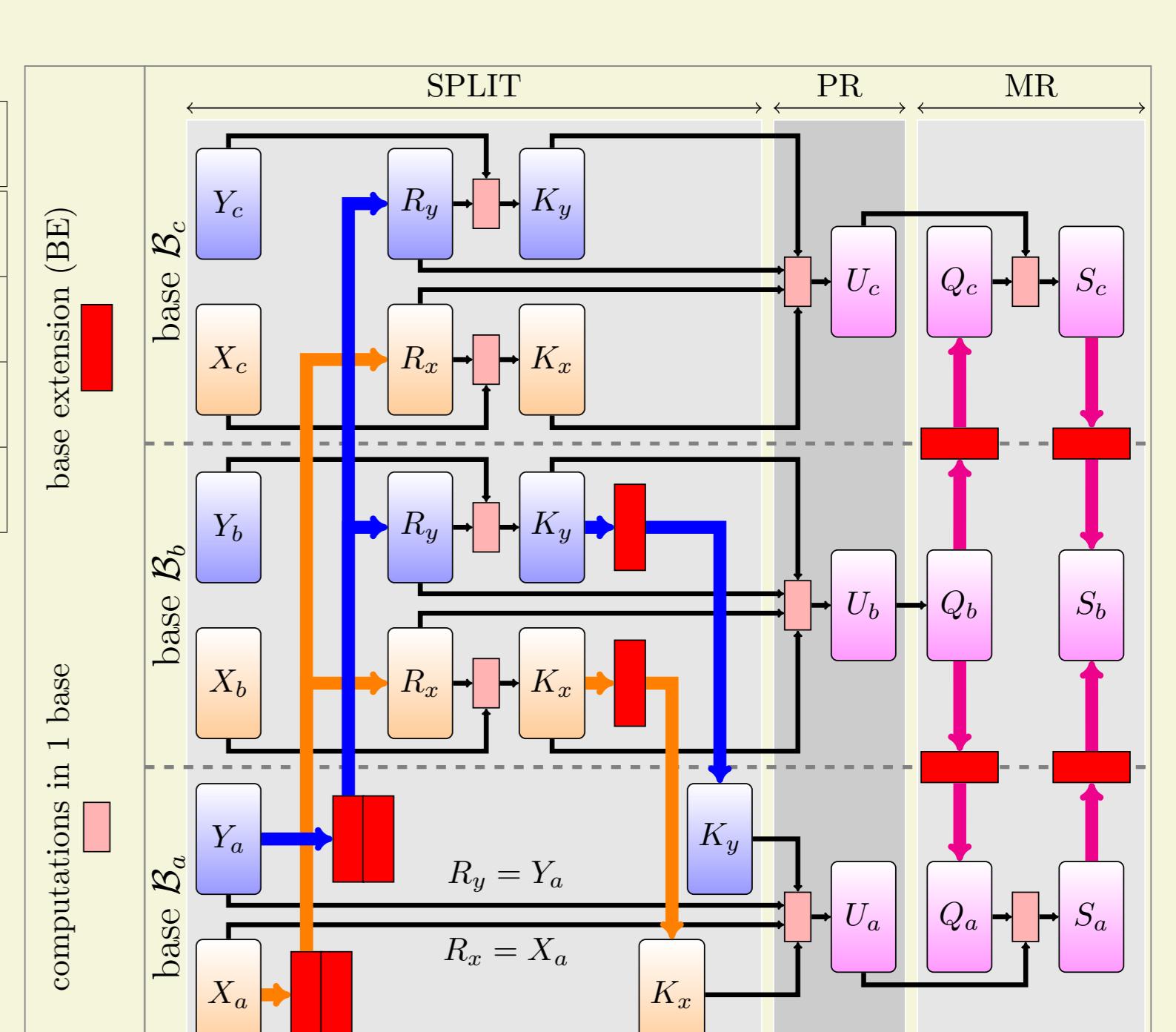
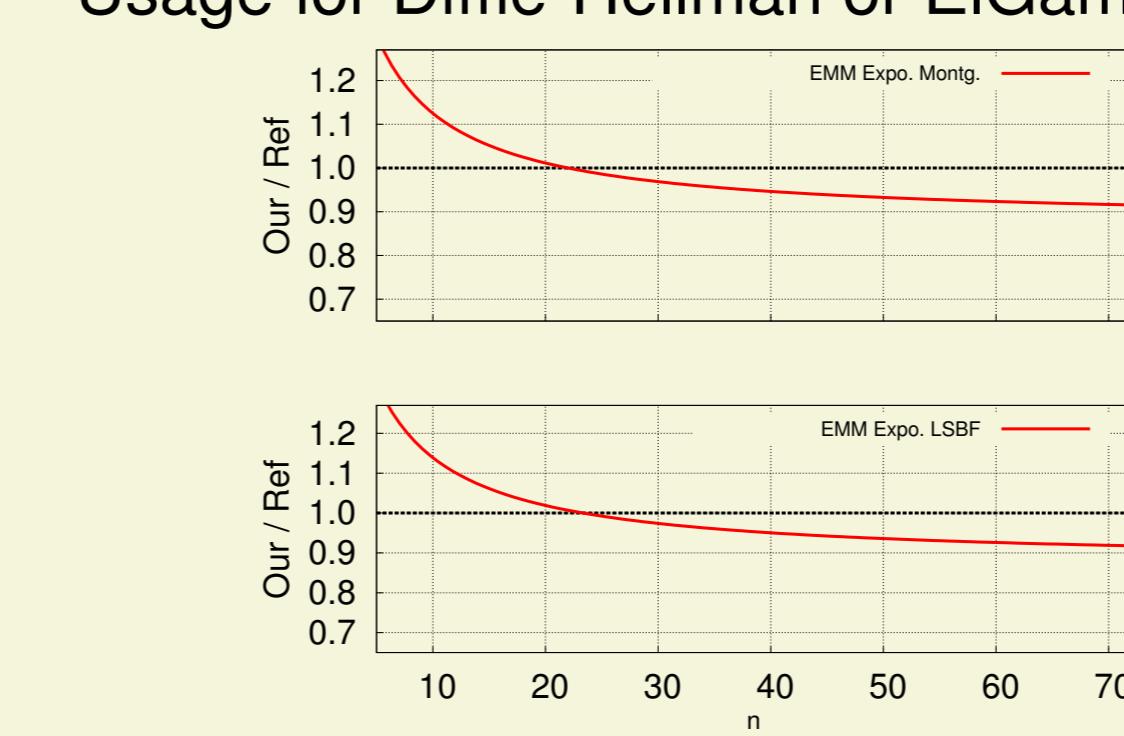
### Proposed method:

- splits operands into 2 parts:  $\vec{X} = (\vec{K}_x) \times (\vec{M}_a) + (\vec{R}_x)$  allows to replace  $2n$  moduli by only  $\frac{3}{2}n$
- reuses split result in various computation patterns
- requires an hypothesis on  $P$ : OK for ECC/DH, but not for RSA

Cost for some patterns (#EMMs):

Operations	s-o-t-a	our
$AB \bmod P$	$2n^2 + 4n$	$2.5n^2 + 12.5n$
$A^2 \bmod P$	$2n^2 + 4n$	$1.75n^2 + 10.5n$
$Cst \times A \bmod P$	$2n^2 + 4n$	$1.75n^2 + 7n$
$Cst \times A^2 \bmod P$	$4n^2 + 8n$	$2.75n^2 + 16.5n$

Usage for Diffie-Hellman or ElGamal:



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