

Bit Encryption is Complete for CCA2

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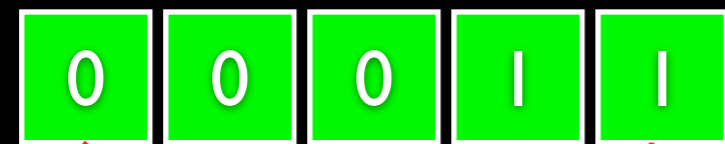
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Problem

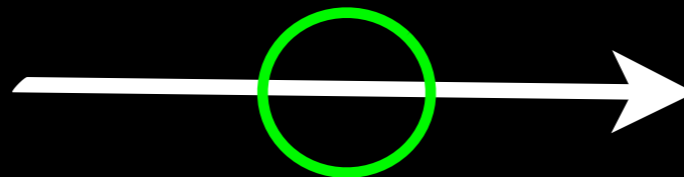
- Given a public-key primitive that encrypts **ONLY** one-bit securely, can you encrypt k -bits securely?
- Trivial for CPA and CCA1 encryption: concatenate bit encryptions.
- Open question for CCA2 encryption since notion was introduced in [RS91].

CCA2 Reordering Attacks

Challenge Ciphertext



Decryption Oracle

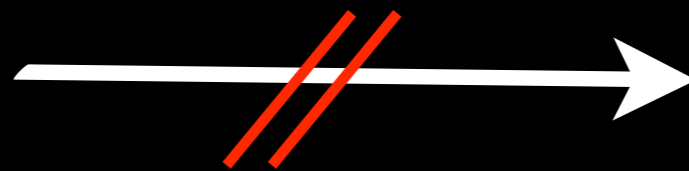
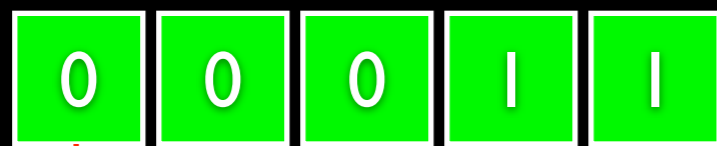


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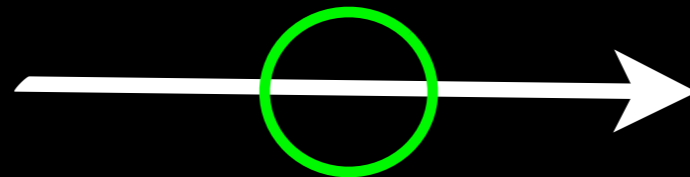
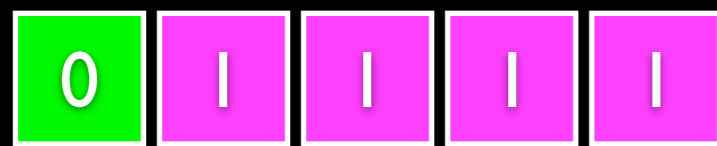
Reordering Attack

CCA2 Quoting Attacks

Challenge Ciphertext



Quote Challenge Bit



Reordering Attack

Construction Ideas

- Easy to deal with reordering attacks (e.g., encrypt each bit with a different public-key).
- Quoting attacks are harder to deal with.
- If you could guarantee there were no pasting attacks made, standard simulation arguments would work.
- Our construction prevents quoting attacks
- Actually build CCA2 KEM/DEM Scheme

Building Blocks

Inner PK
Scheme

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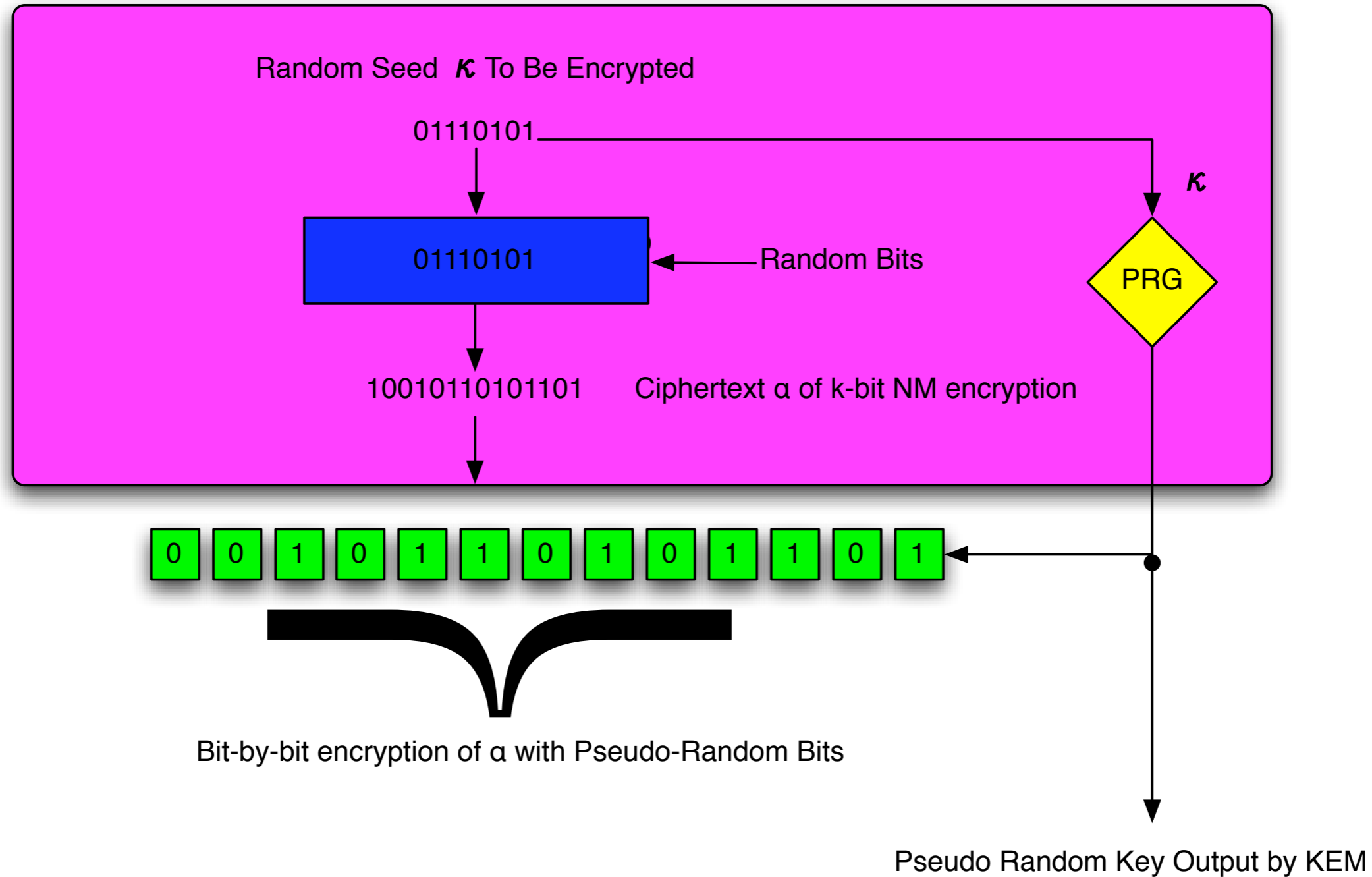
k-bit “weak” Non-Malleable
Enc Scheme secure against non-
quoting CCA2 adversary.

Outer PK
Scheme

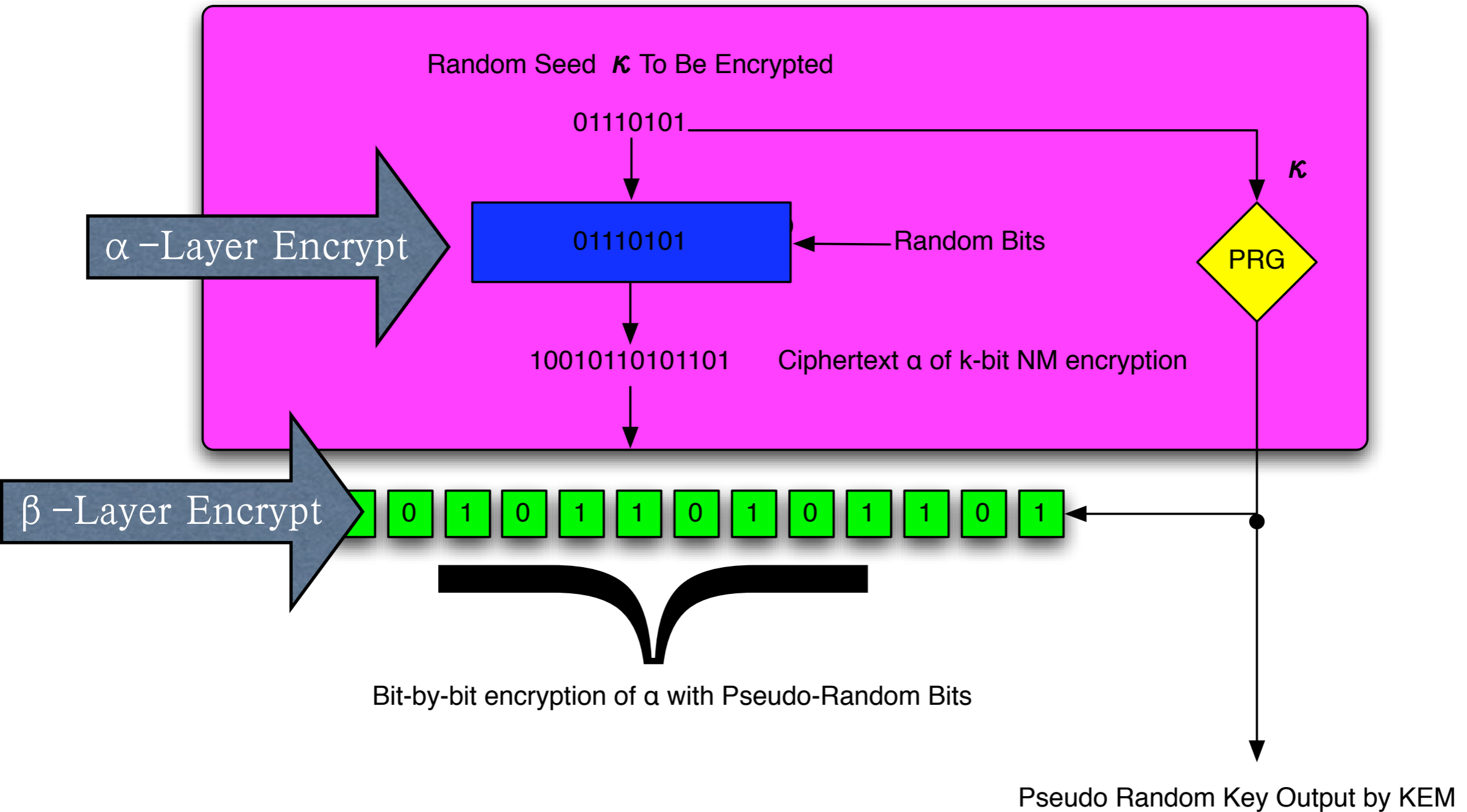
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Concatenation of 1-bit CCA2
encryptions.

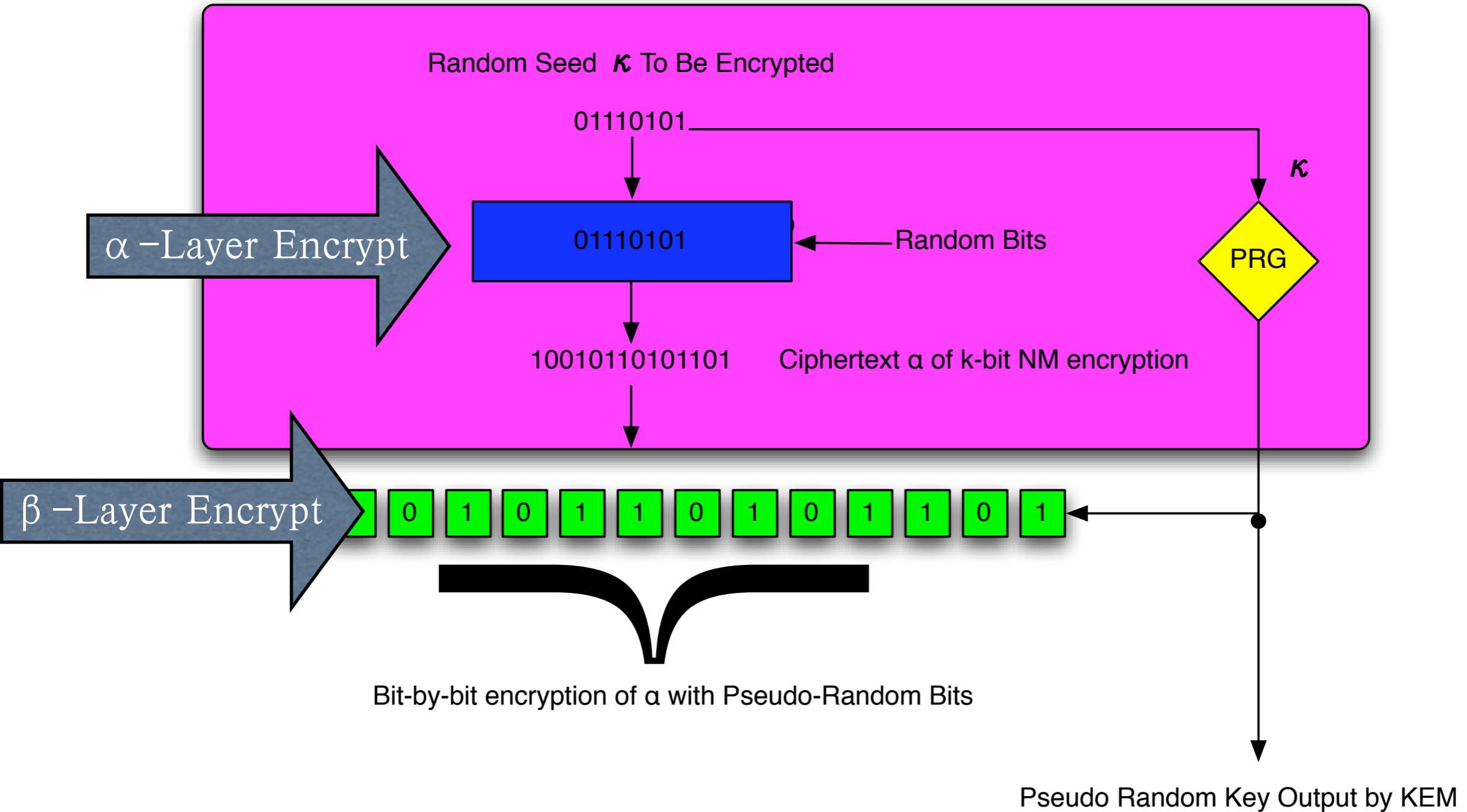
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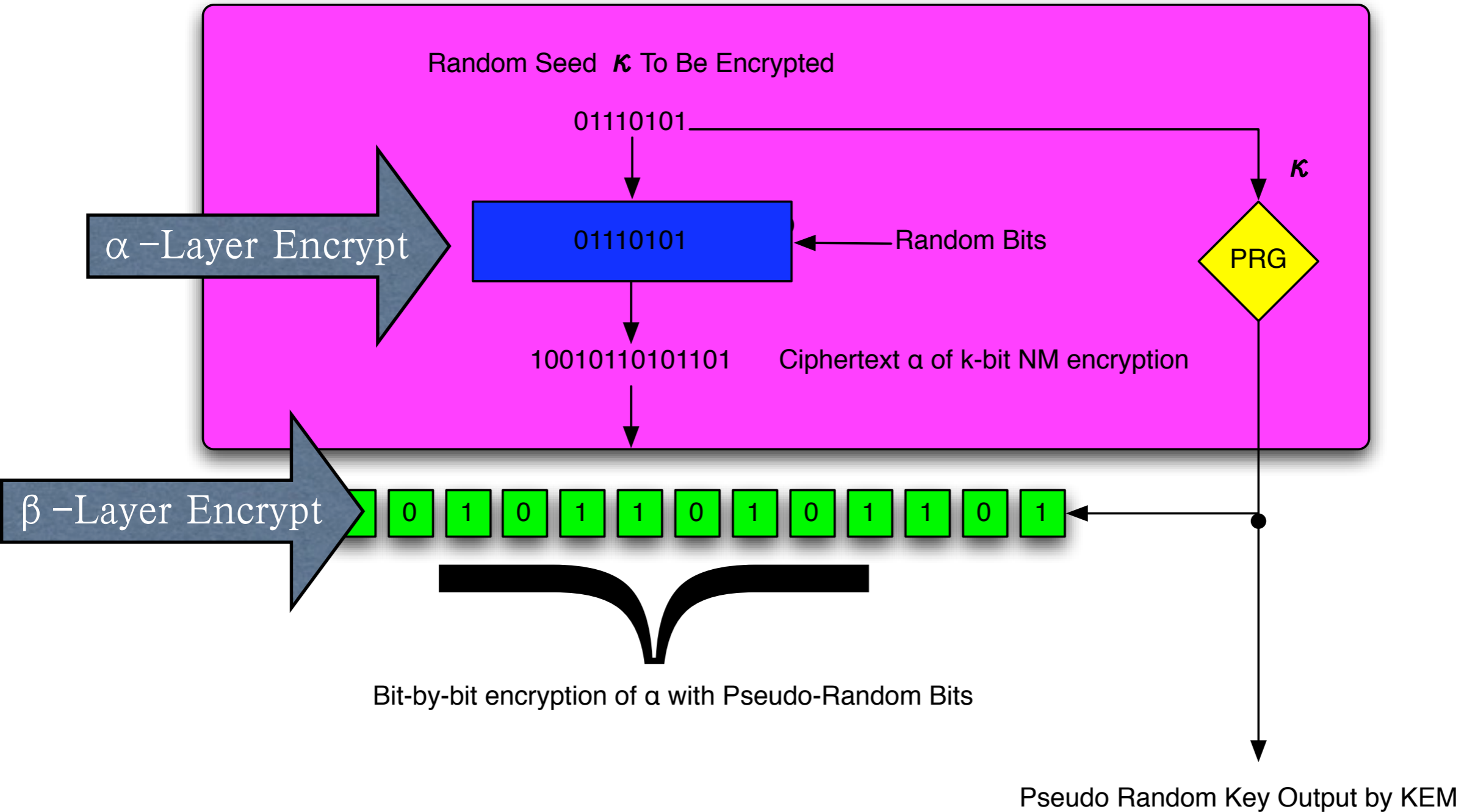


Many Bit CCA2 KEM Construction



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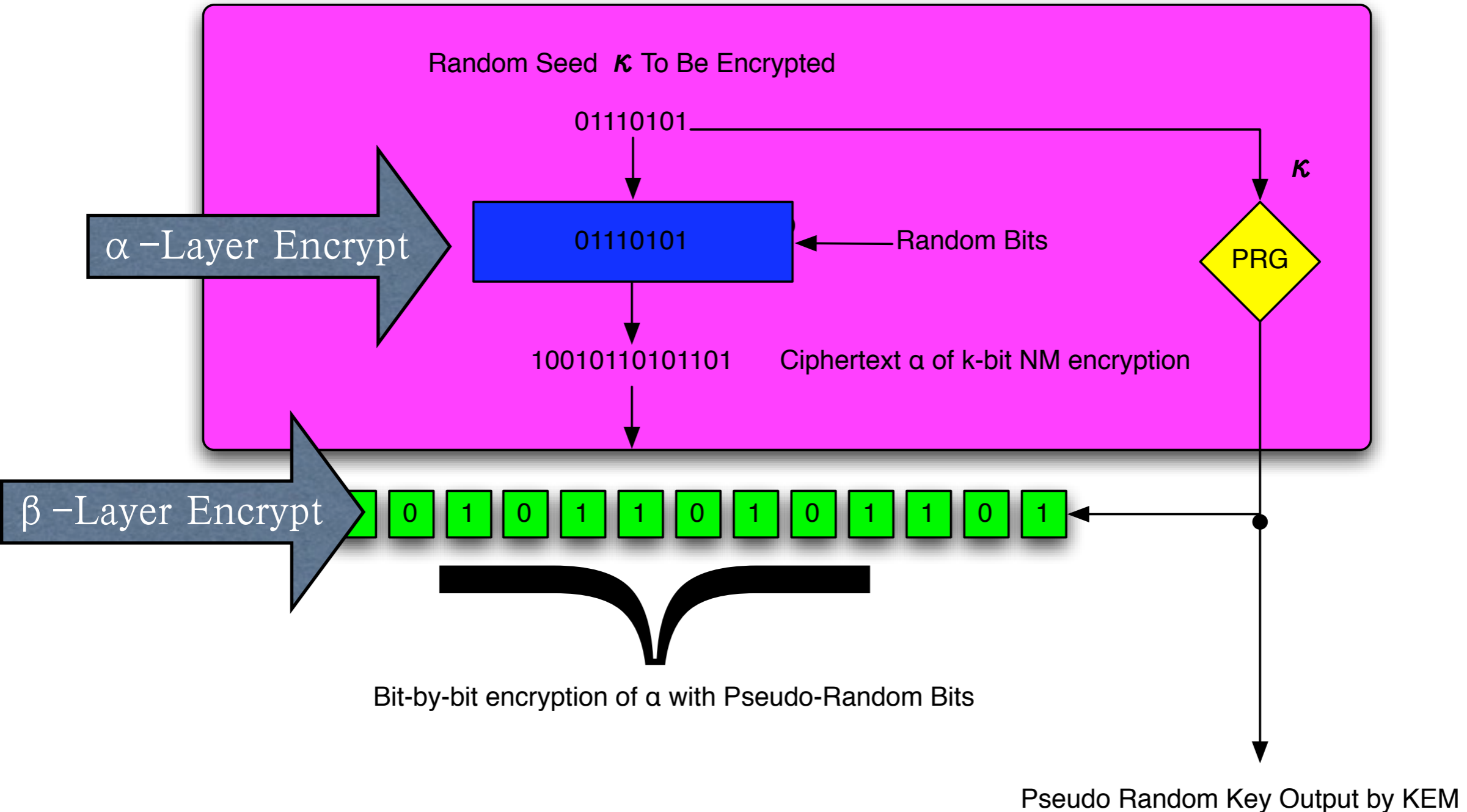
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Lemma 3: Successful β -quote without preceding α -quote breaks non-malleability of α -layer.