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Then, there was **asymmetric** encryption.

Some people encrypted ...

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... others decrypted.

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The product of encryptions of two messages is *an* encryption of the sum of the two messages.

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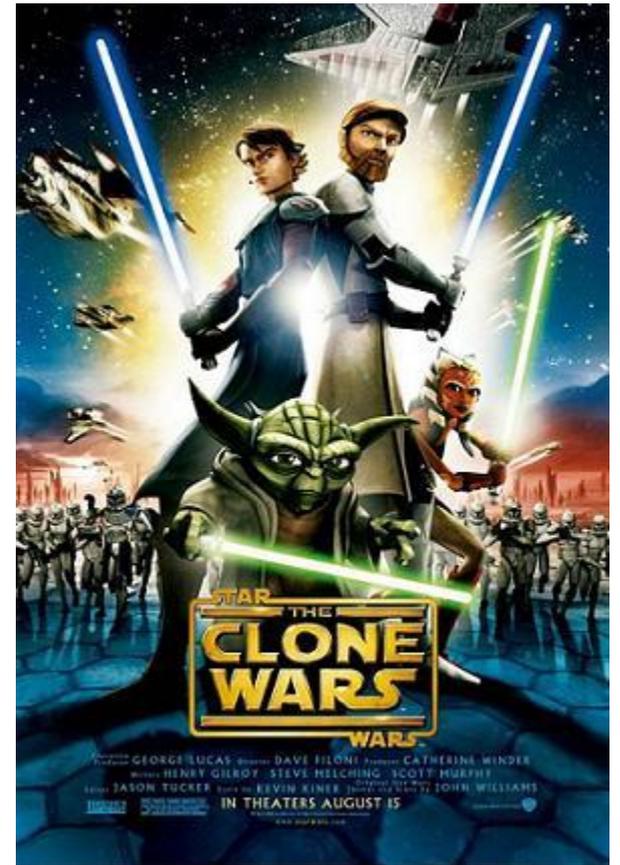
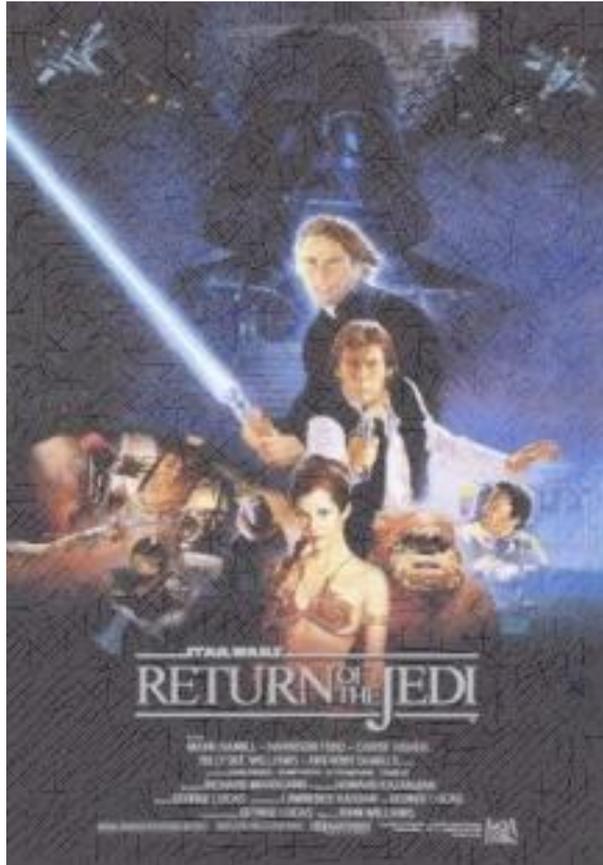
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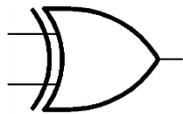
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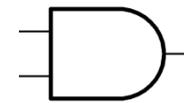
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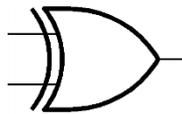
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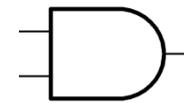
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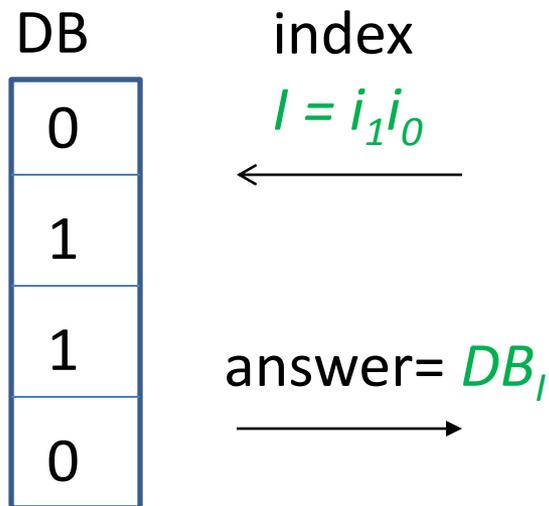
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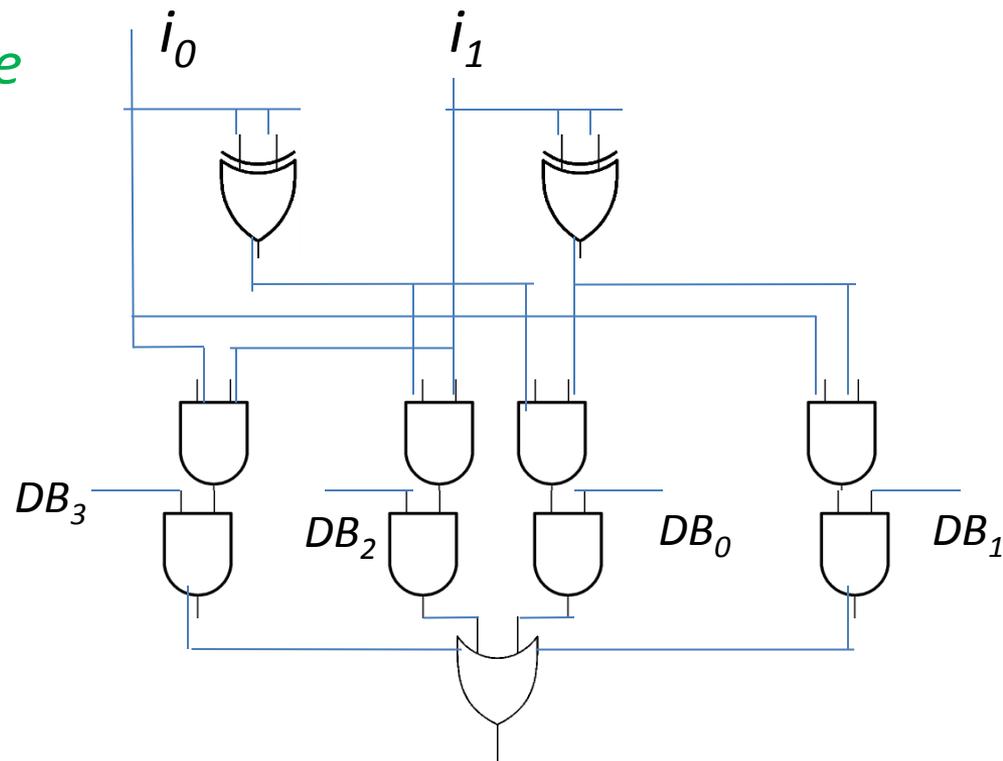
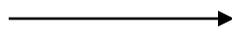
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index

$$I = i_1 i_0$$



answer = DB_1

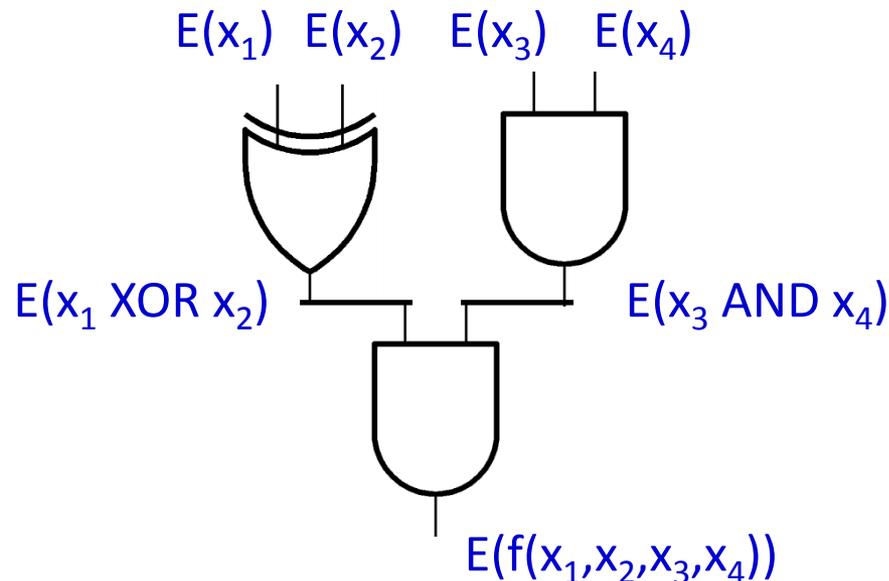


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... if you can compute XOR and AND on **encrypted bits**...

... you can compute **ANY** function on **encrypted inputs**...



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In general,

Delegate *processing* of data

without giving away access to it

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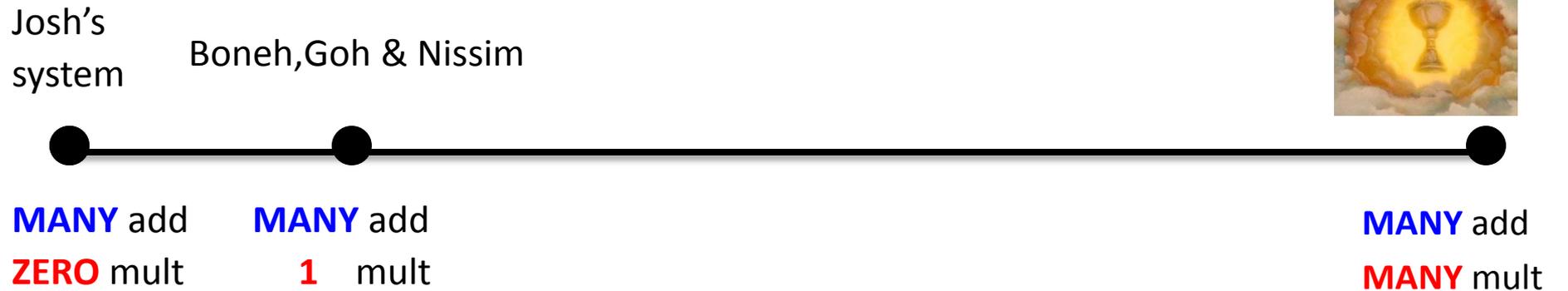
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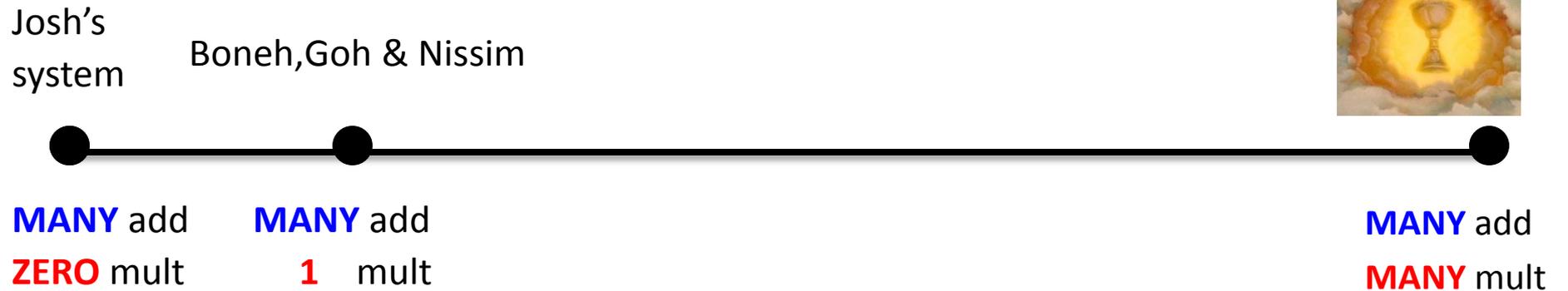
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... and some bold attempts [Fellows-Koblitz] ...

... which were quickly broken ...



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... **Craig Gentry** came up with the first fully homomorphic encryption scheme ...



How does it work?

What is the magic?

Gentry's scheme was complex ...

... it used advanced algebraic number theory ...

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How about integers?!? [Gentry, Halevi, van Dijk, v.]

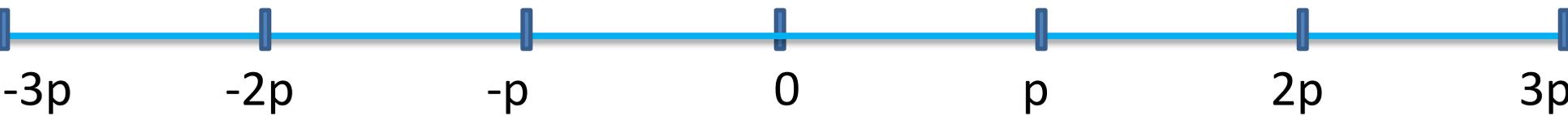
$$2 + 3 = 5$$

$$2 \times 3 = 6$$



TODAY: Secret-key (Symmetric-key) Encryption

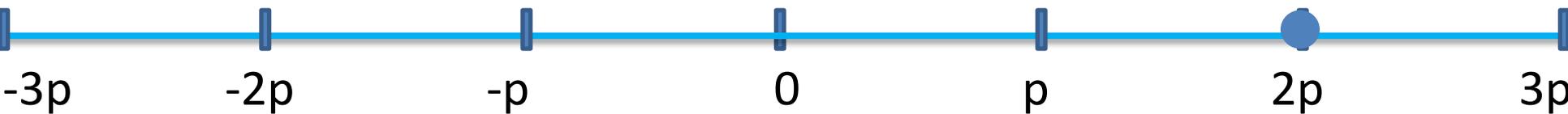
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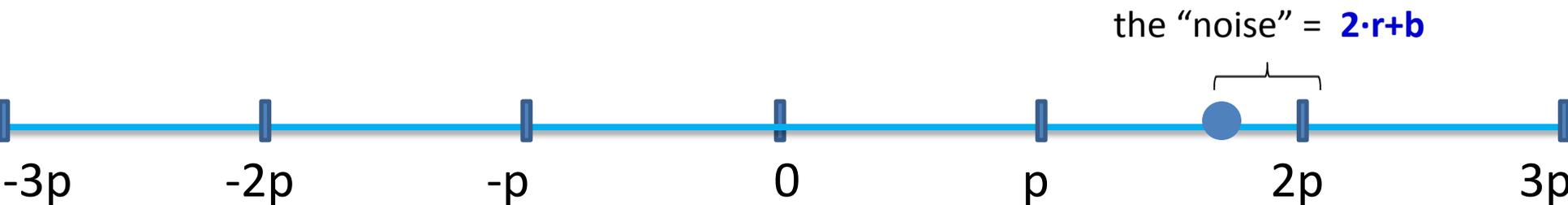
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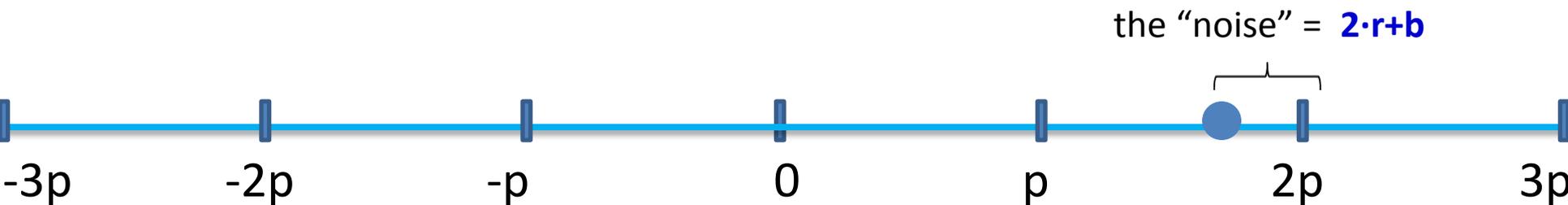
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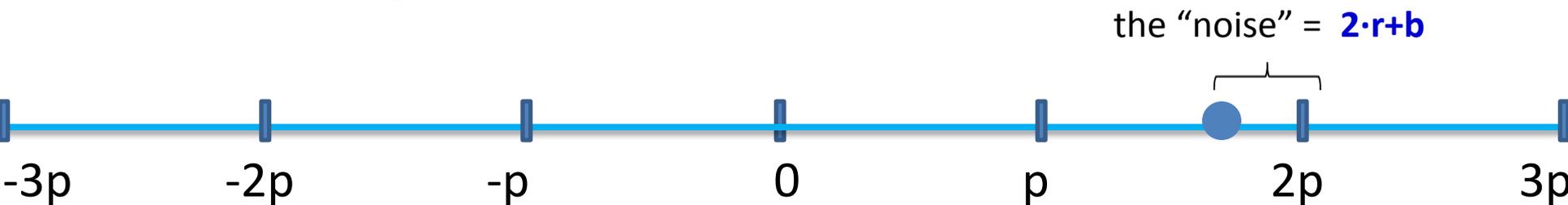
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To Decrypt a ciphertext c :

Taking $c \bmod p$ recovers the noise



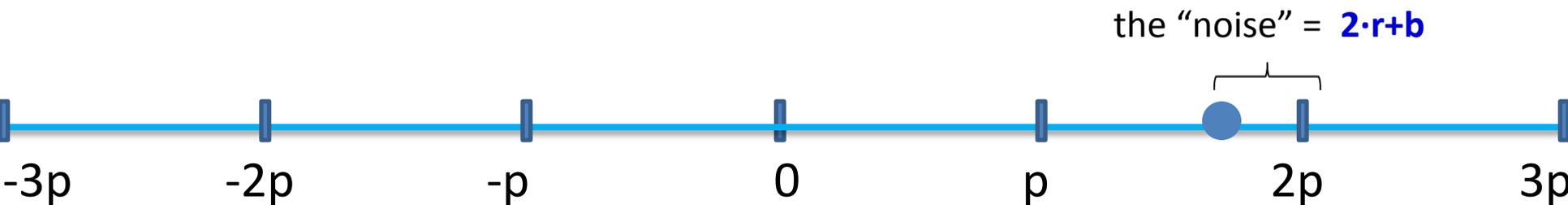
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... if there were no noise (think $r=0$)

... and I give you two encryptions of 0 (q_1p & q_2p)

... then you can recover the secret key p

$$= \text{GCD}(q_1p, q_2p)$$



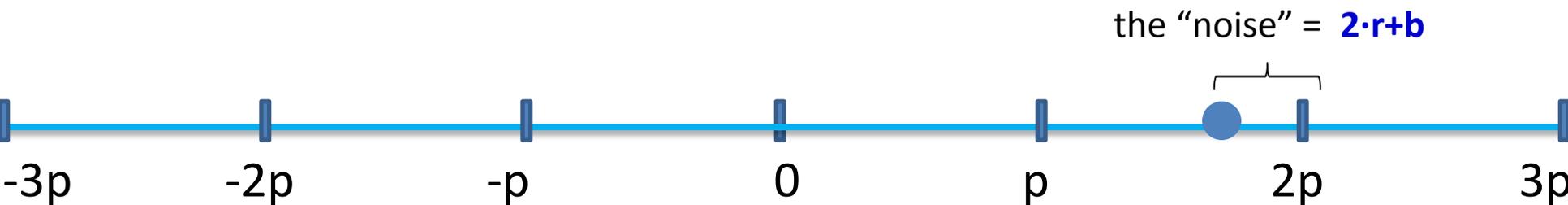
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... but if there is noise

... the GCD attack doesn't work

... and neither does any attack (we believe)

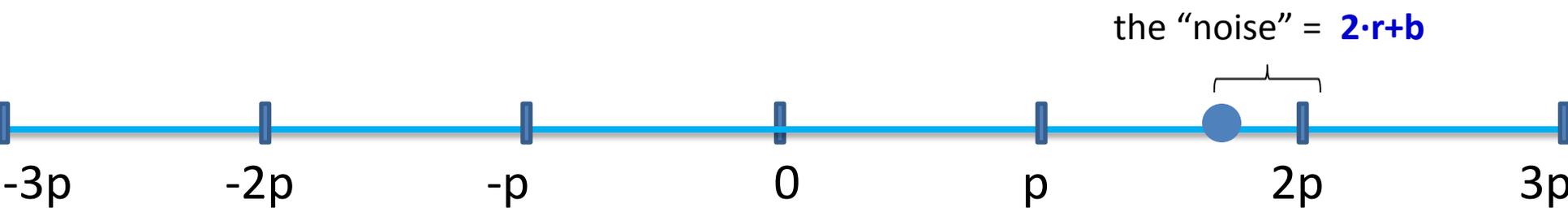
... this is called the *approximate GCD assumption*



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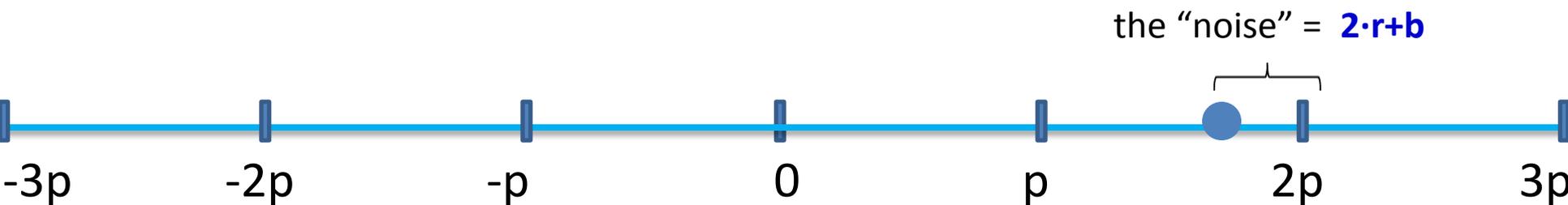


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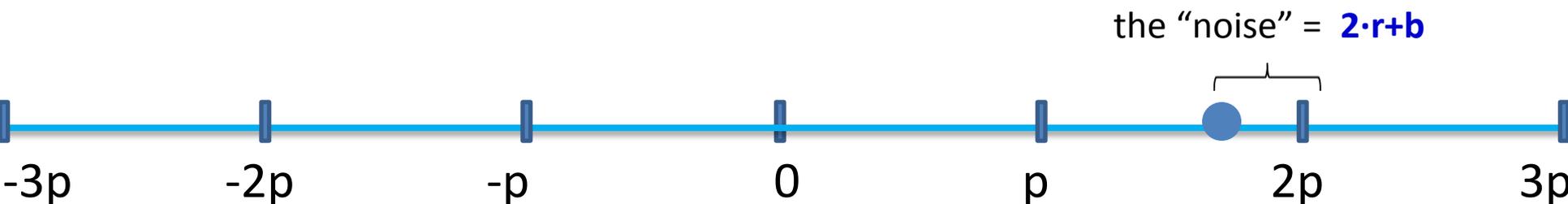
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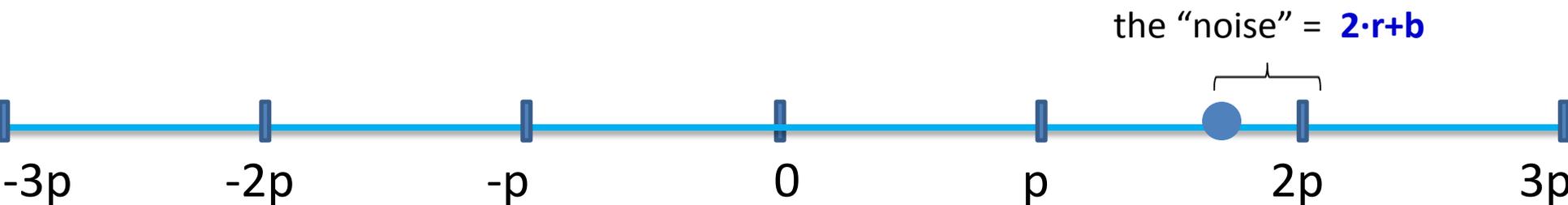
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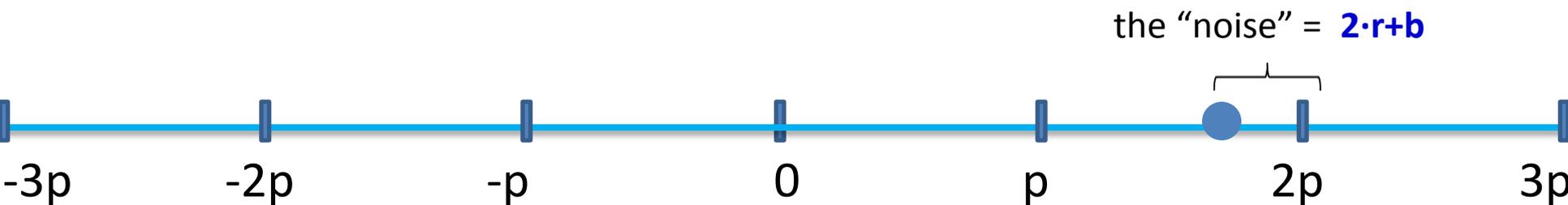


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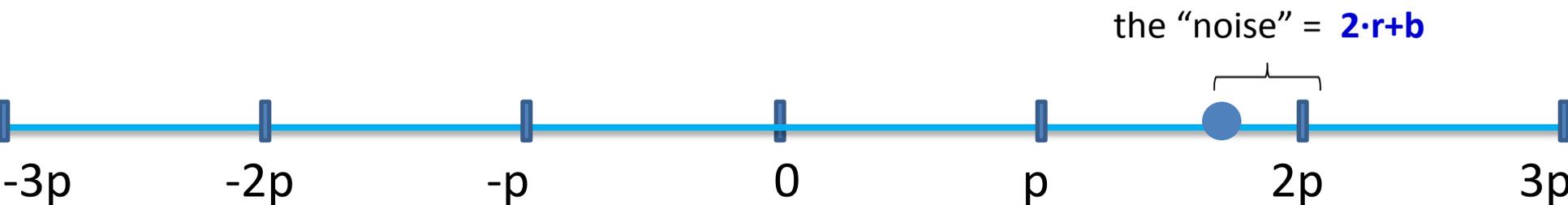
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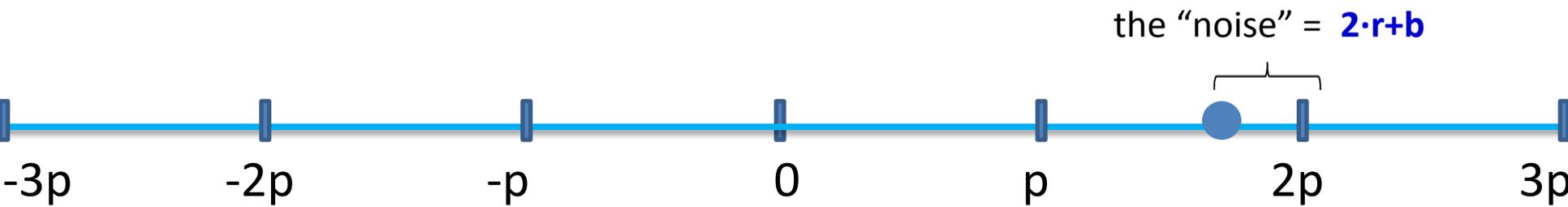
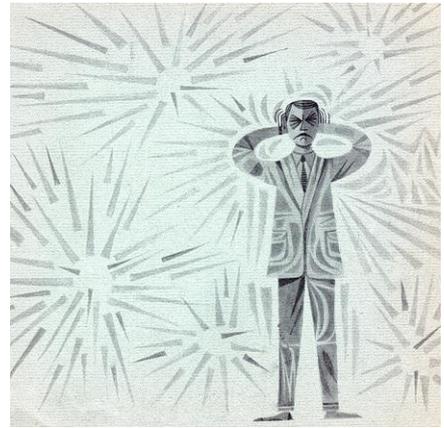
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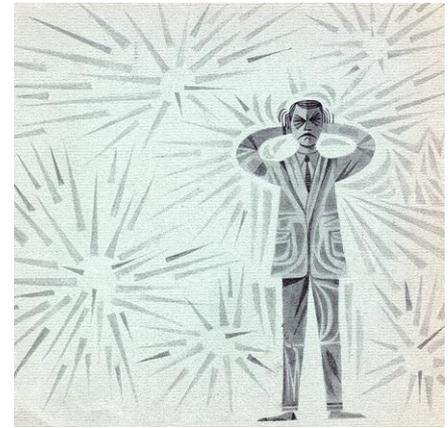


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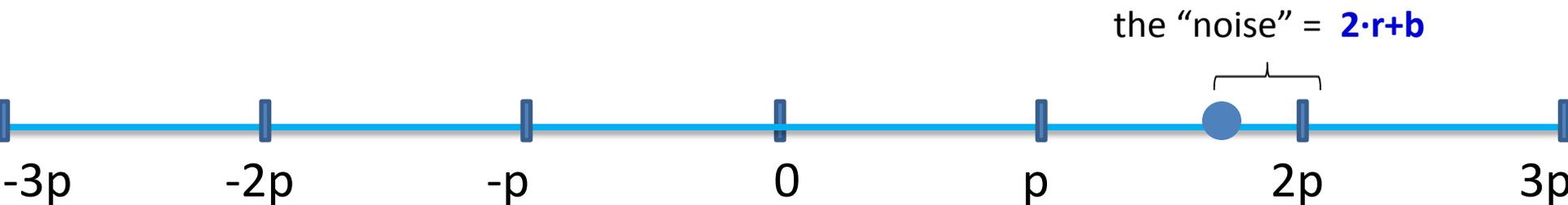


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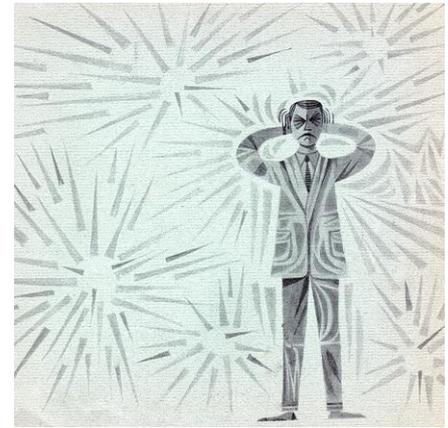
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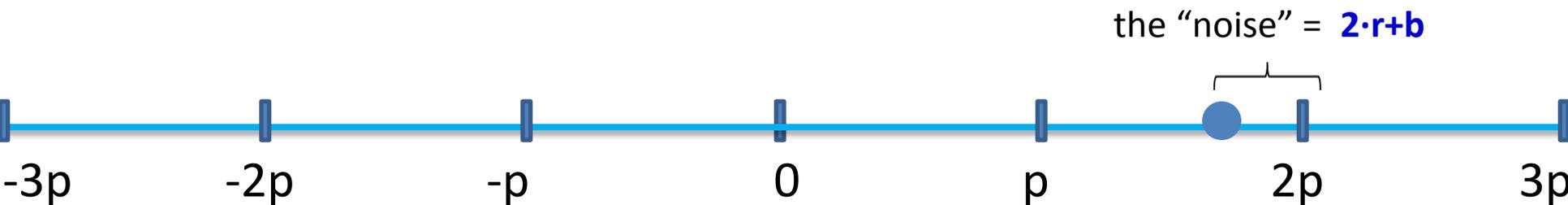


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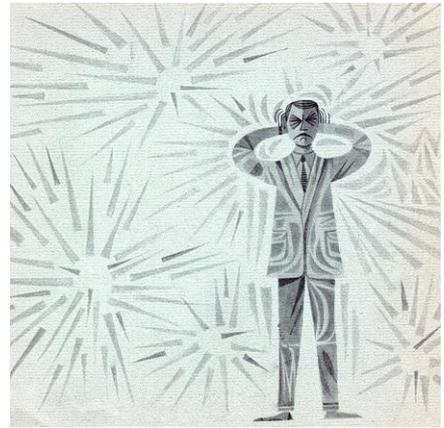
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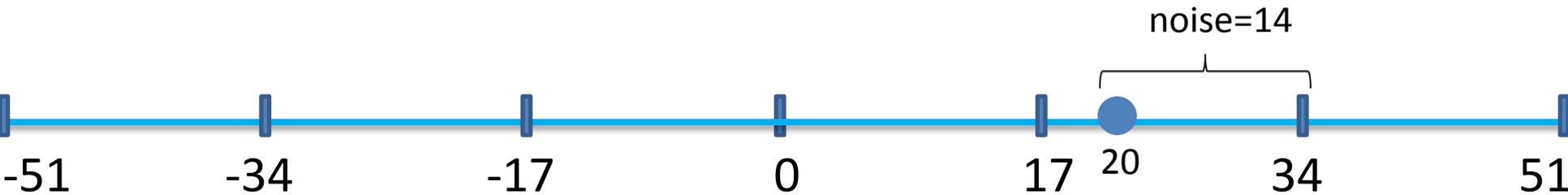




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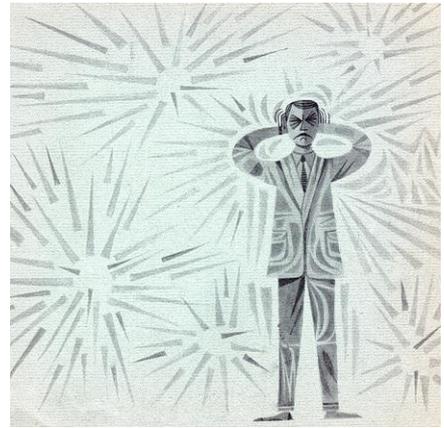


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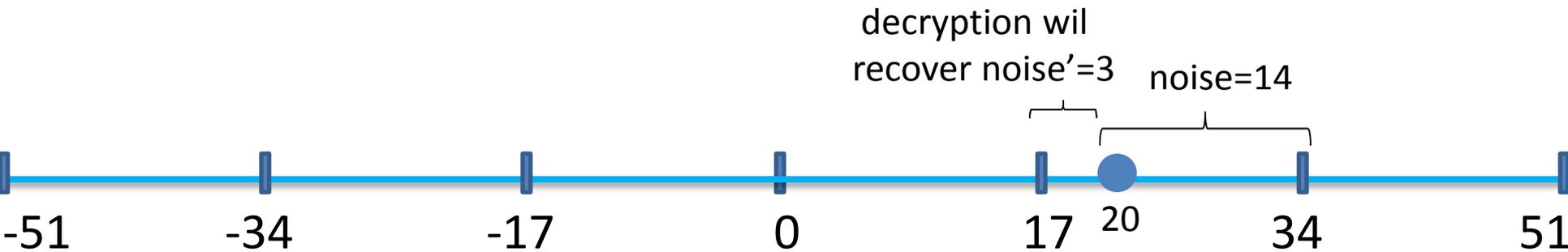




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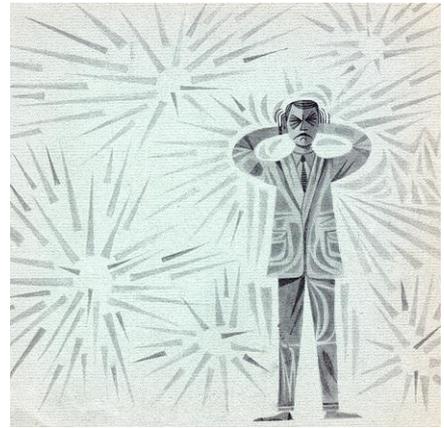


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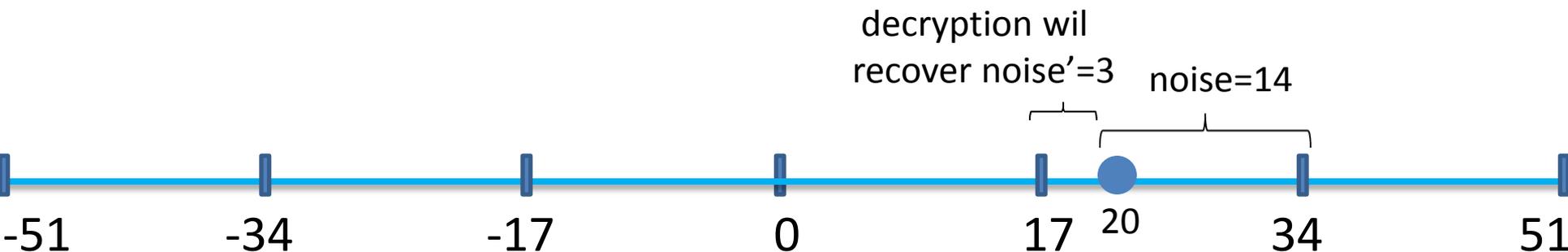
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If the $|noise| > p/2$, then ...

decryption will output an incorrect bit



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Boneh, Goh & Nissim

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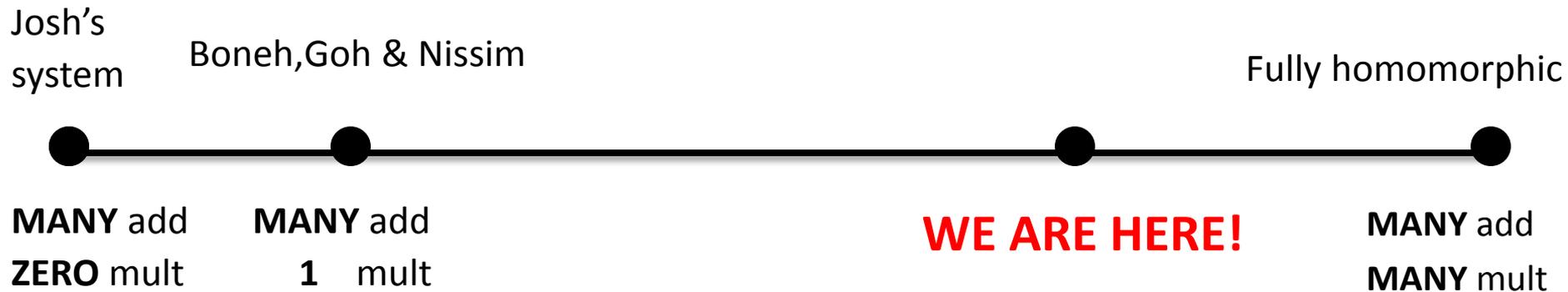
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[HOW? WE'LL SEE IN A BIT]



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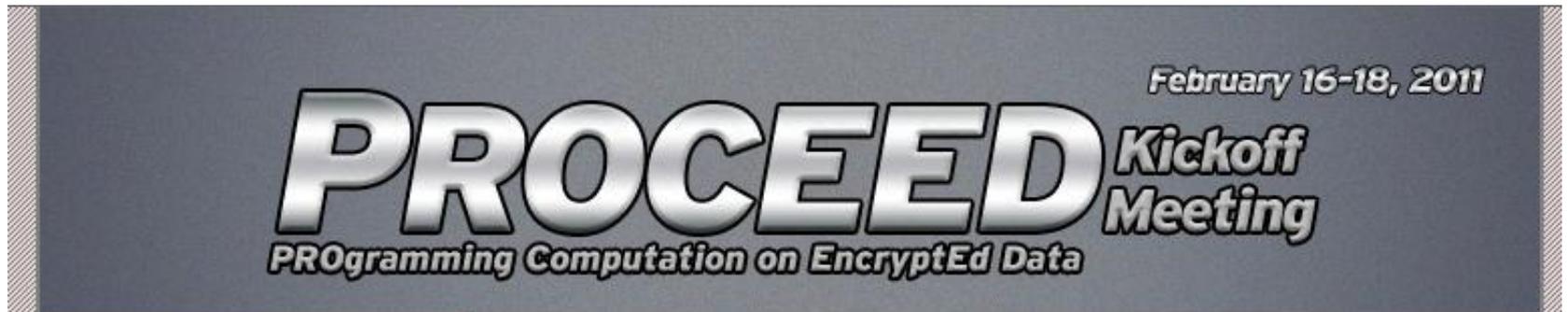
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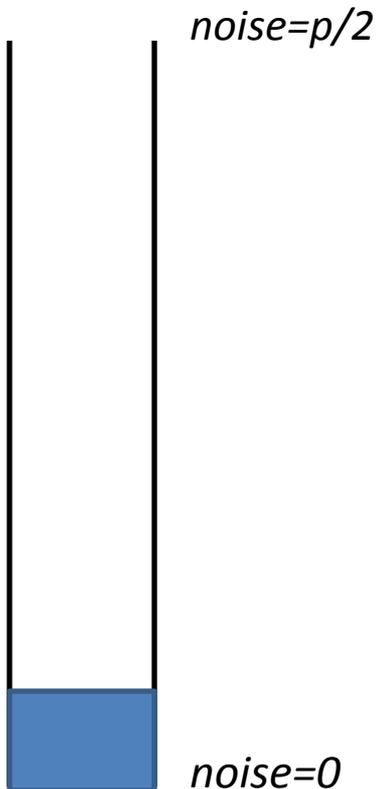
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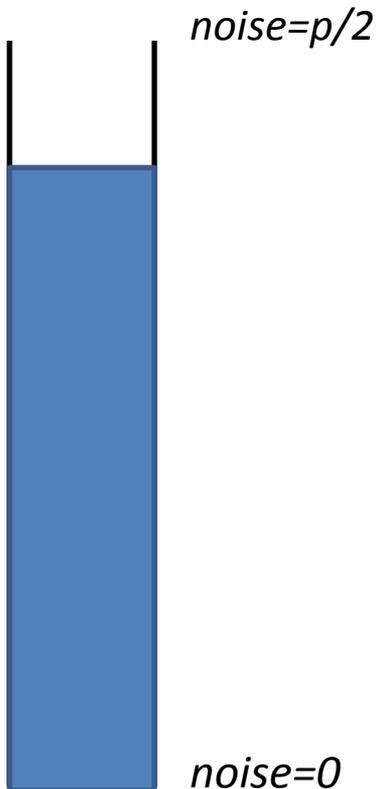
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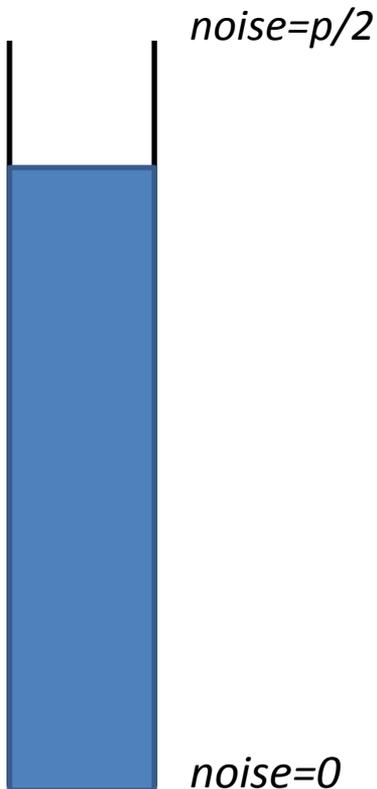
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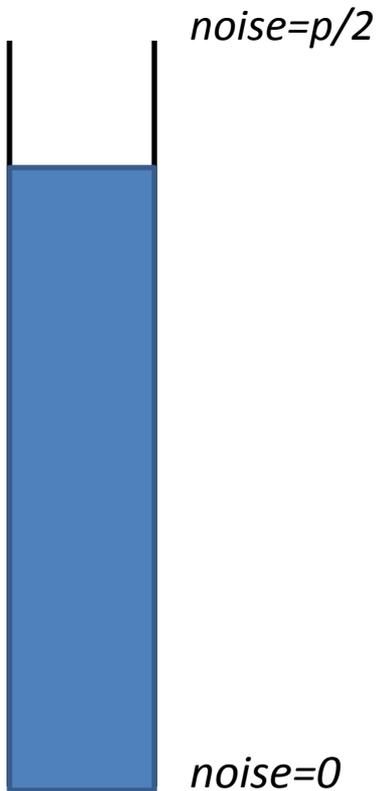
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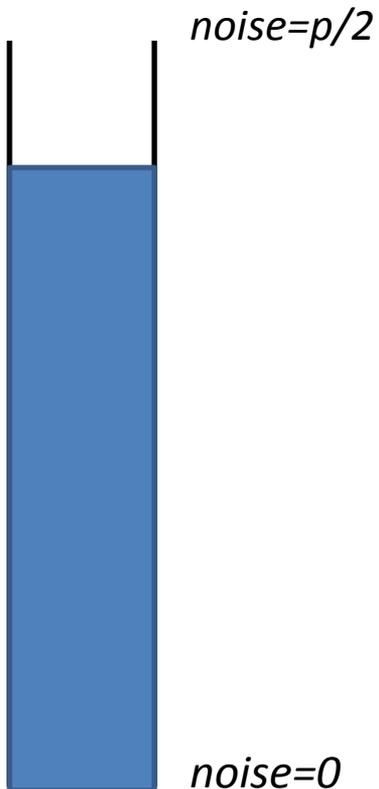
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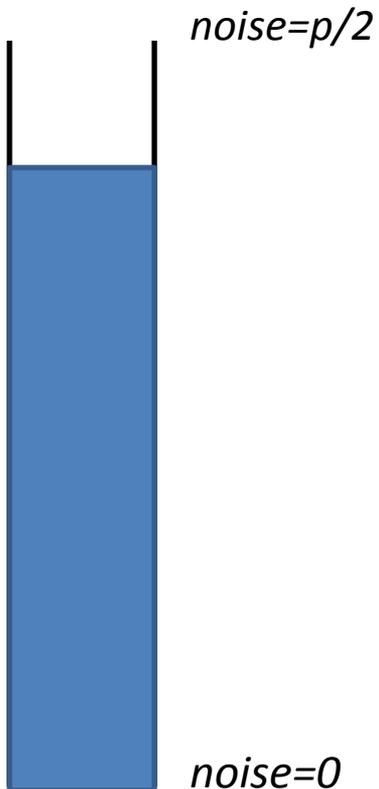


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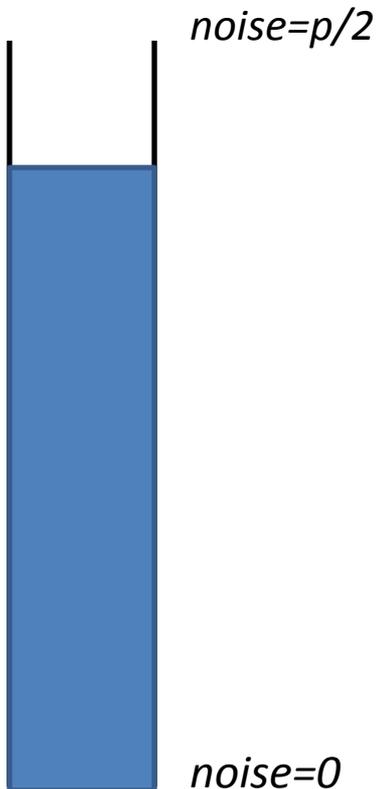
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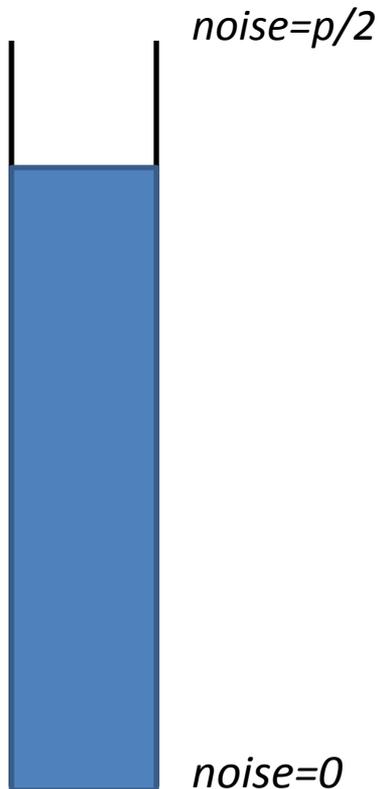


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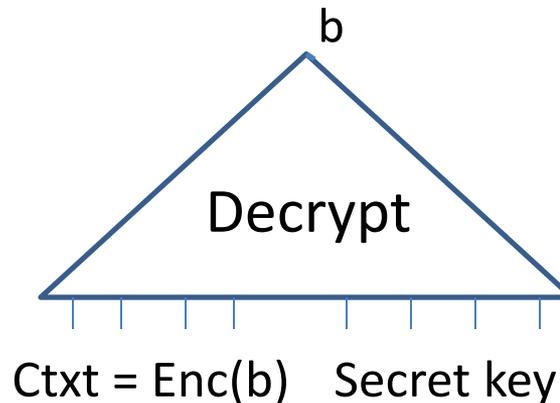
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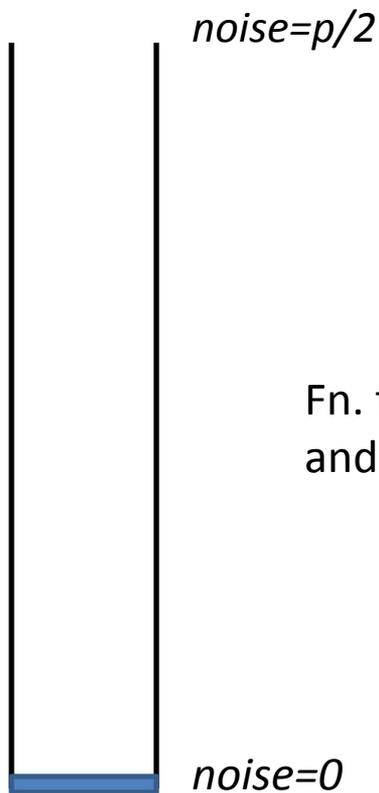


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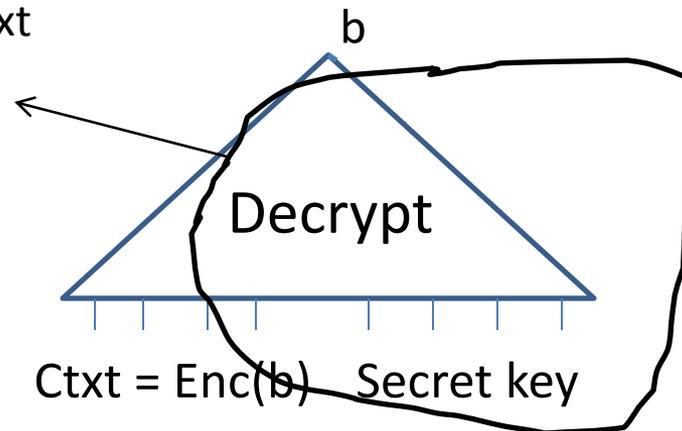
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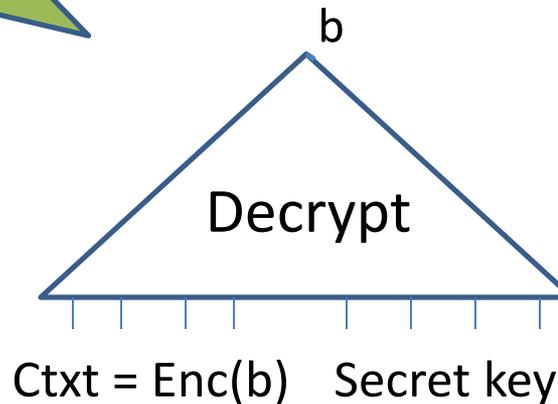
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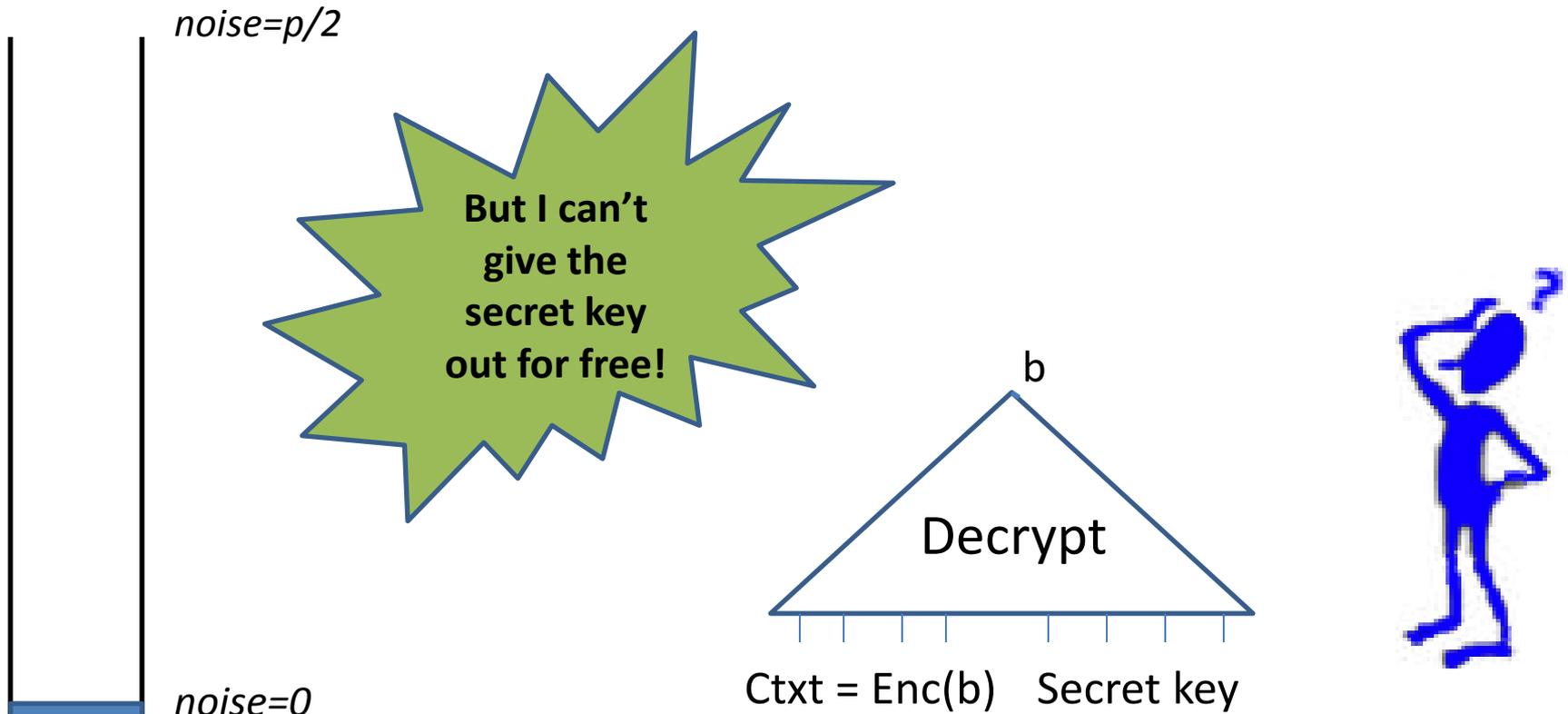


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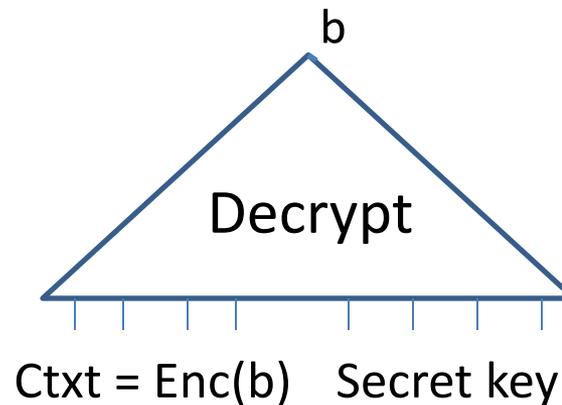
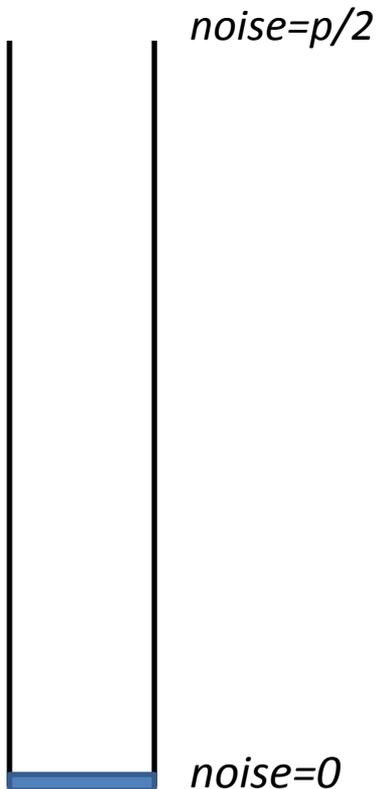
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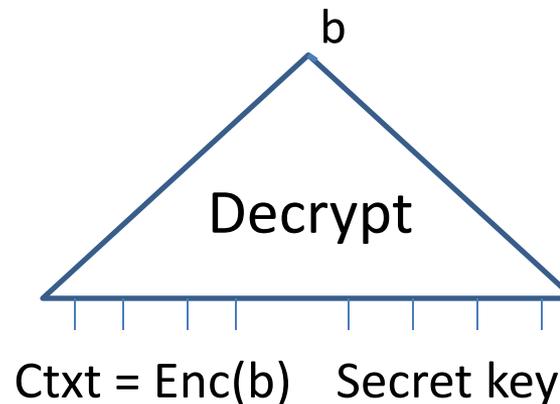
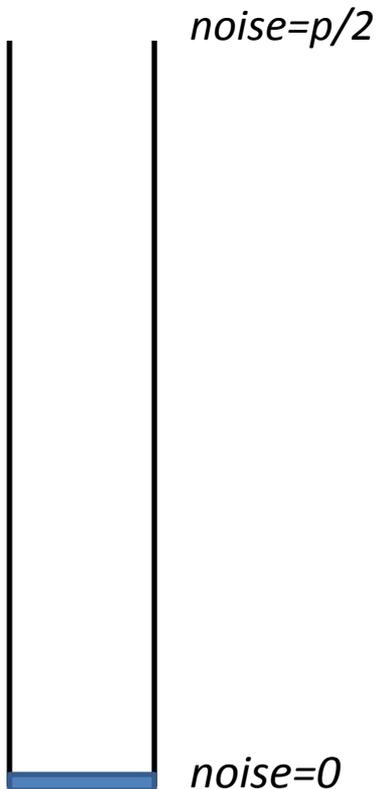
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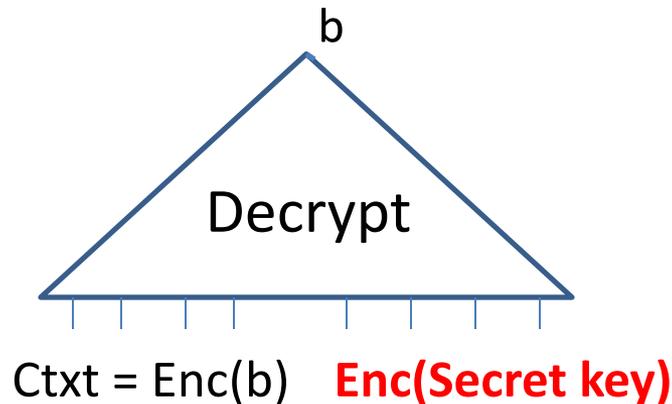
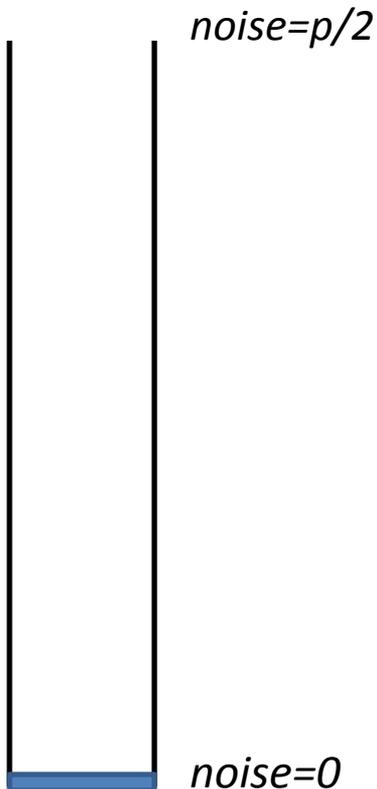
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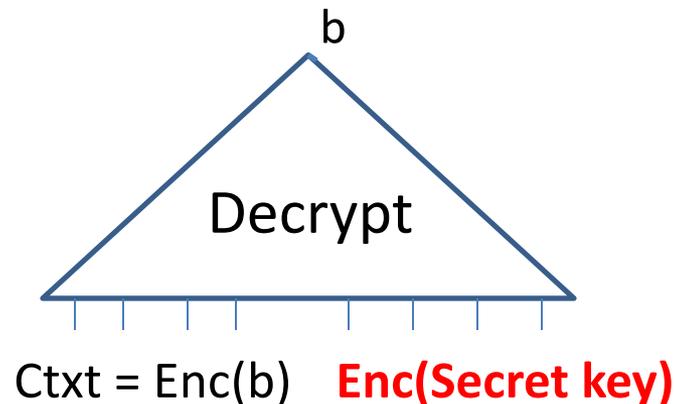
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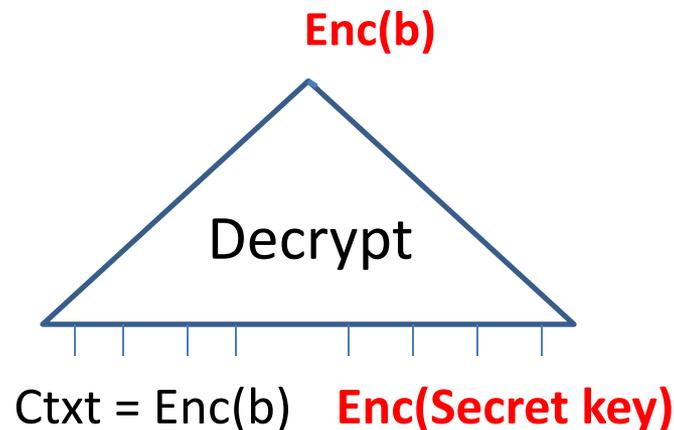
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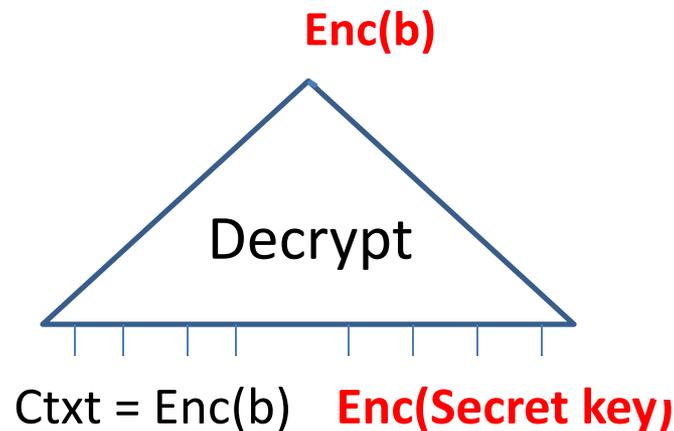
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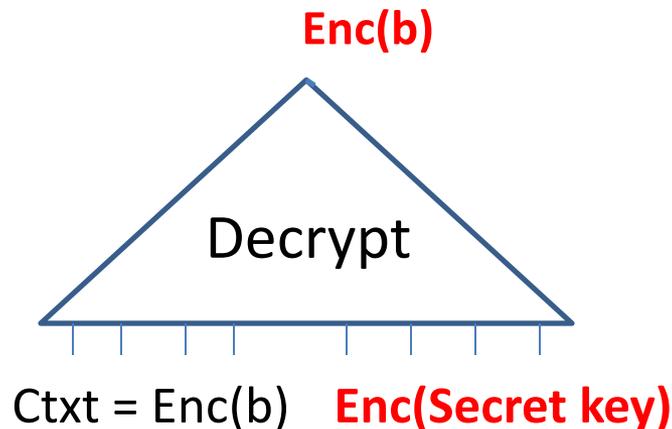
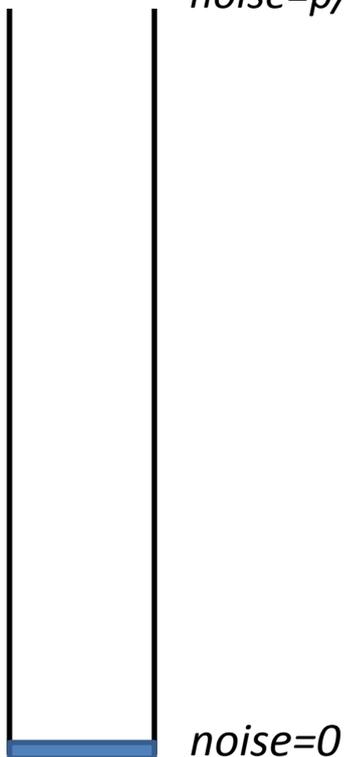
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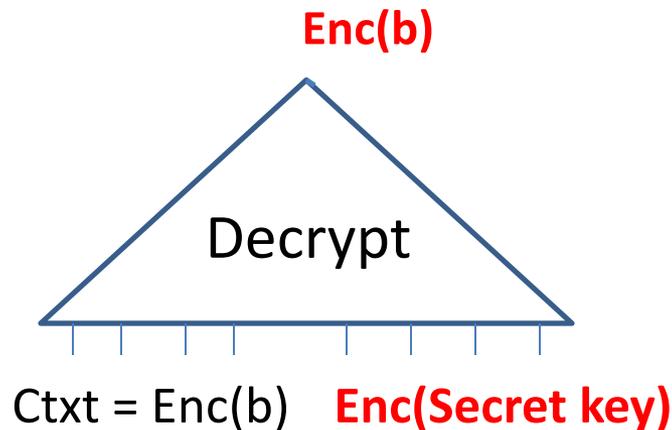
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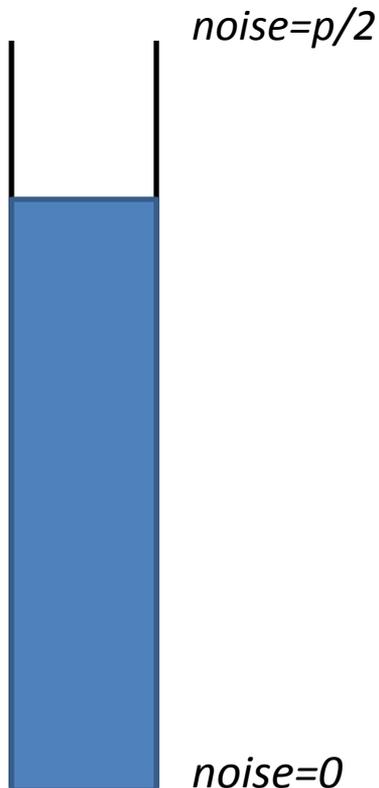
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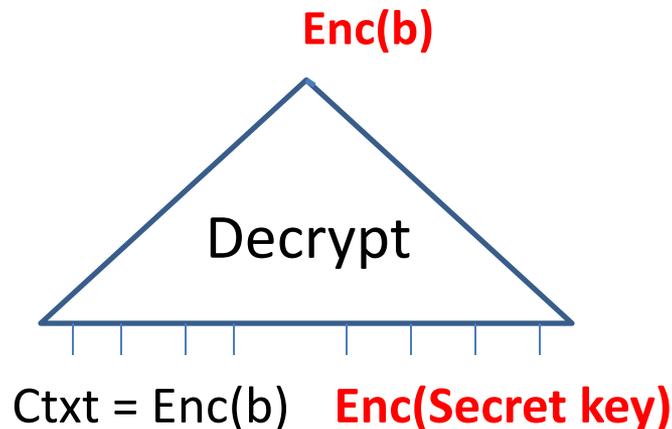
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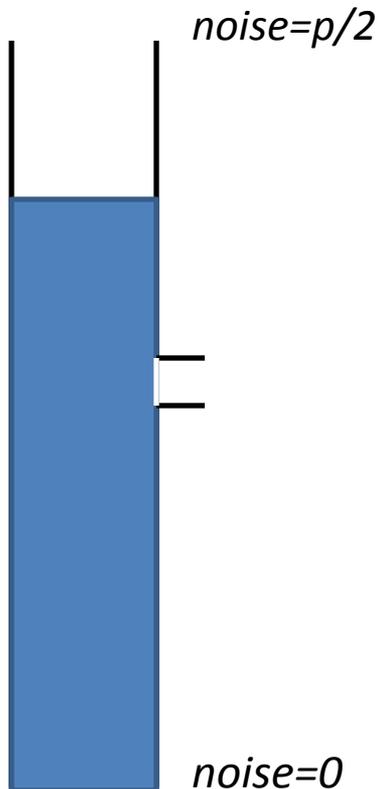
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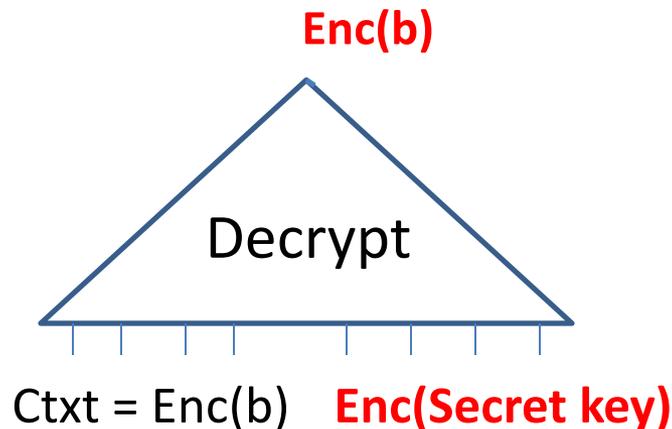
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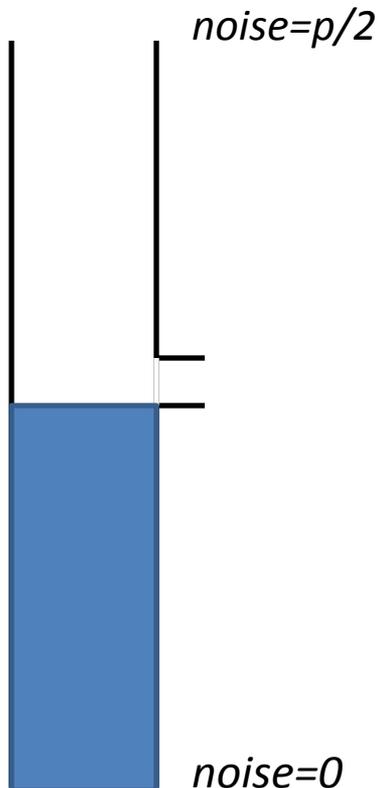
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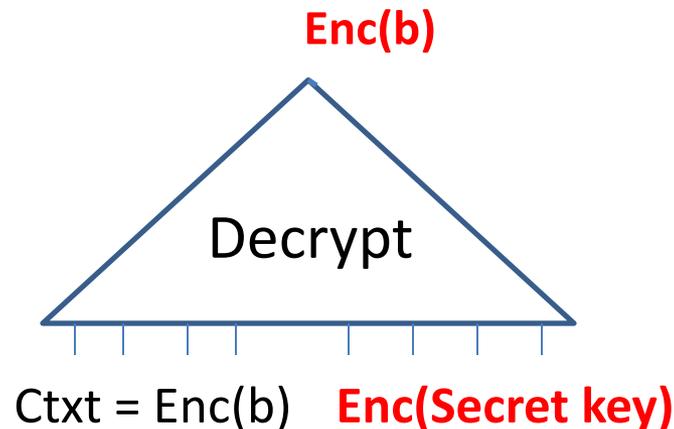
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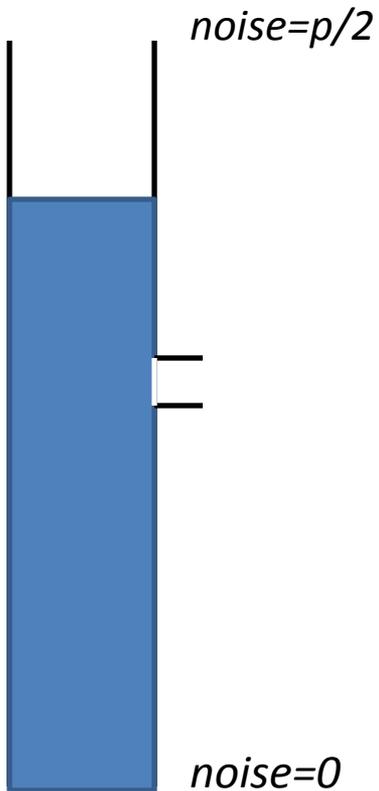
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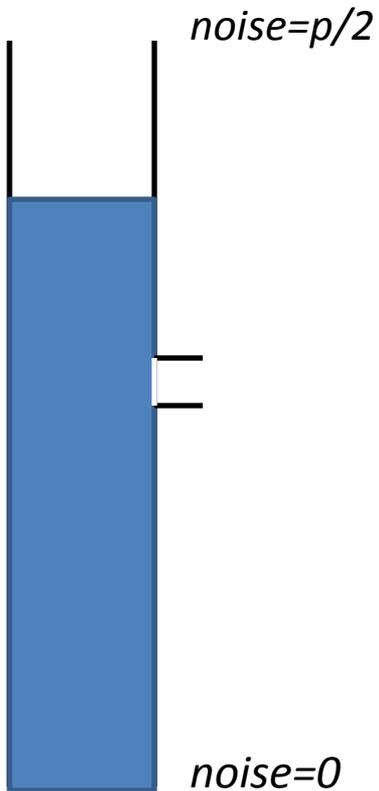


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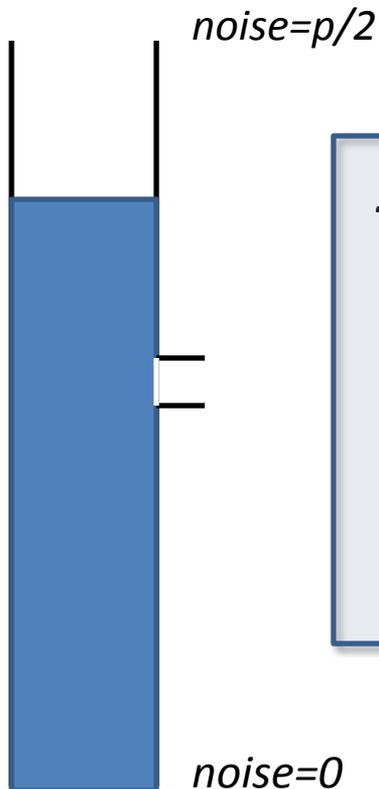
... use bootstrapping to reset it to a fixed level



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