Linux Kernel Network Security - Transport Layer Security (TLS)

Deep Hacking

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Outline

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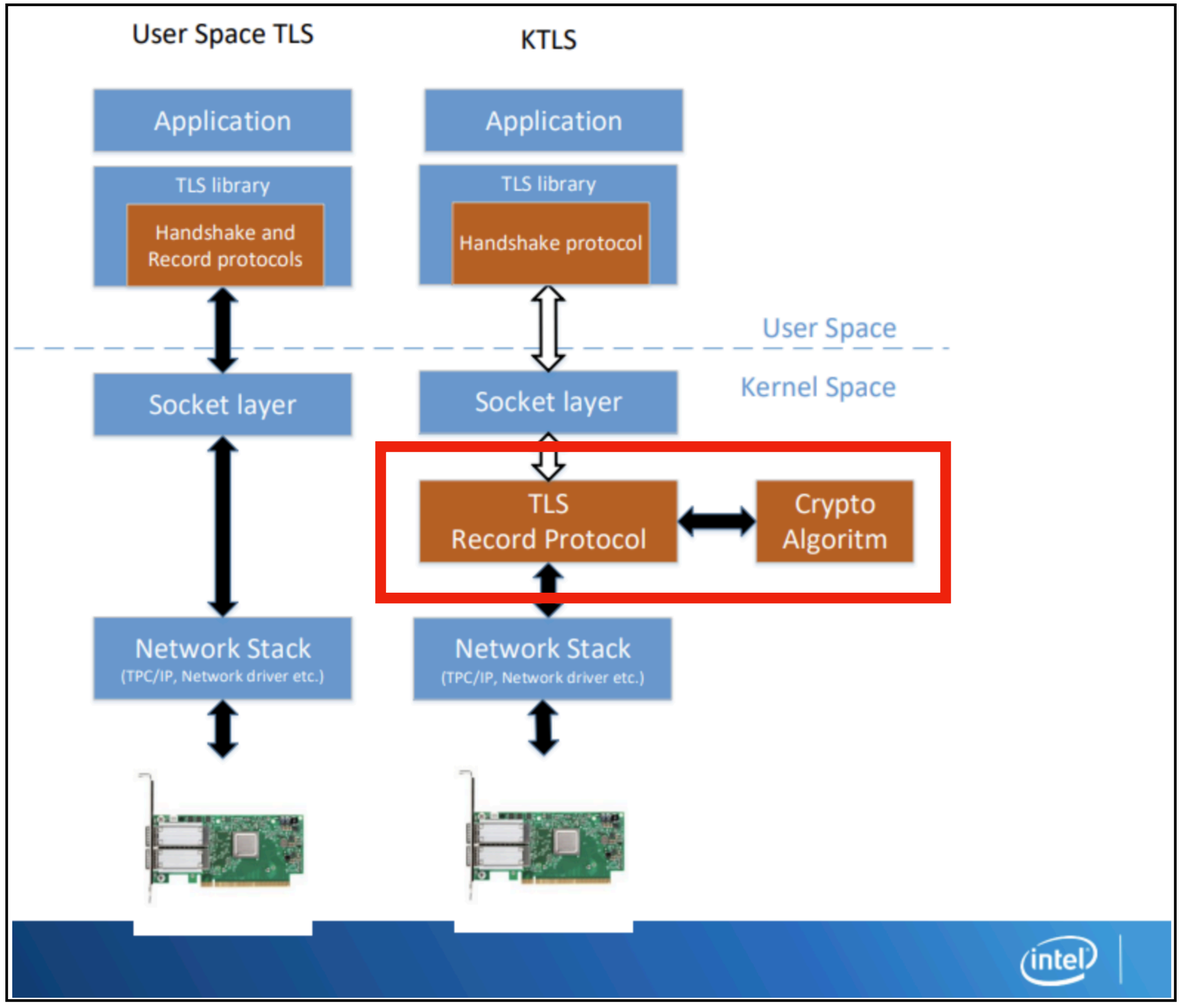

https://blog.salrashid.dev/articles/2022/kernel_tls/

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tcp_prot (struct proto)	IPPROTO_TCP	**Protocol**
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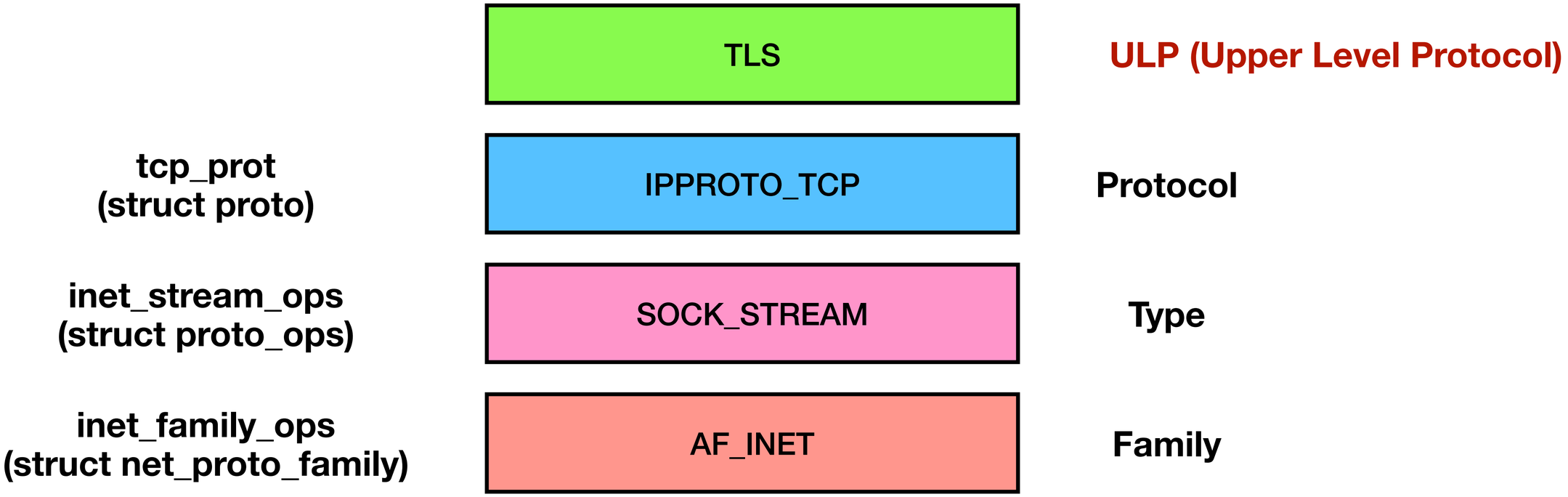
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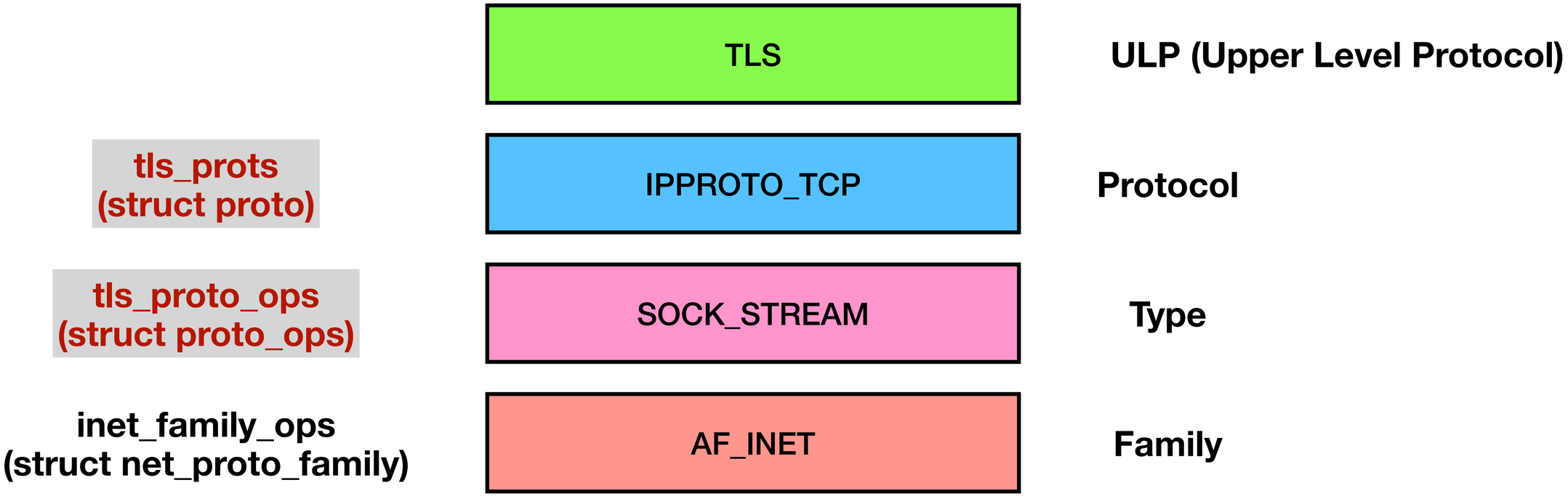
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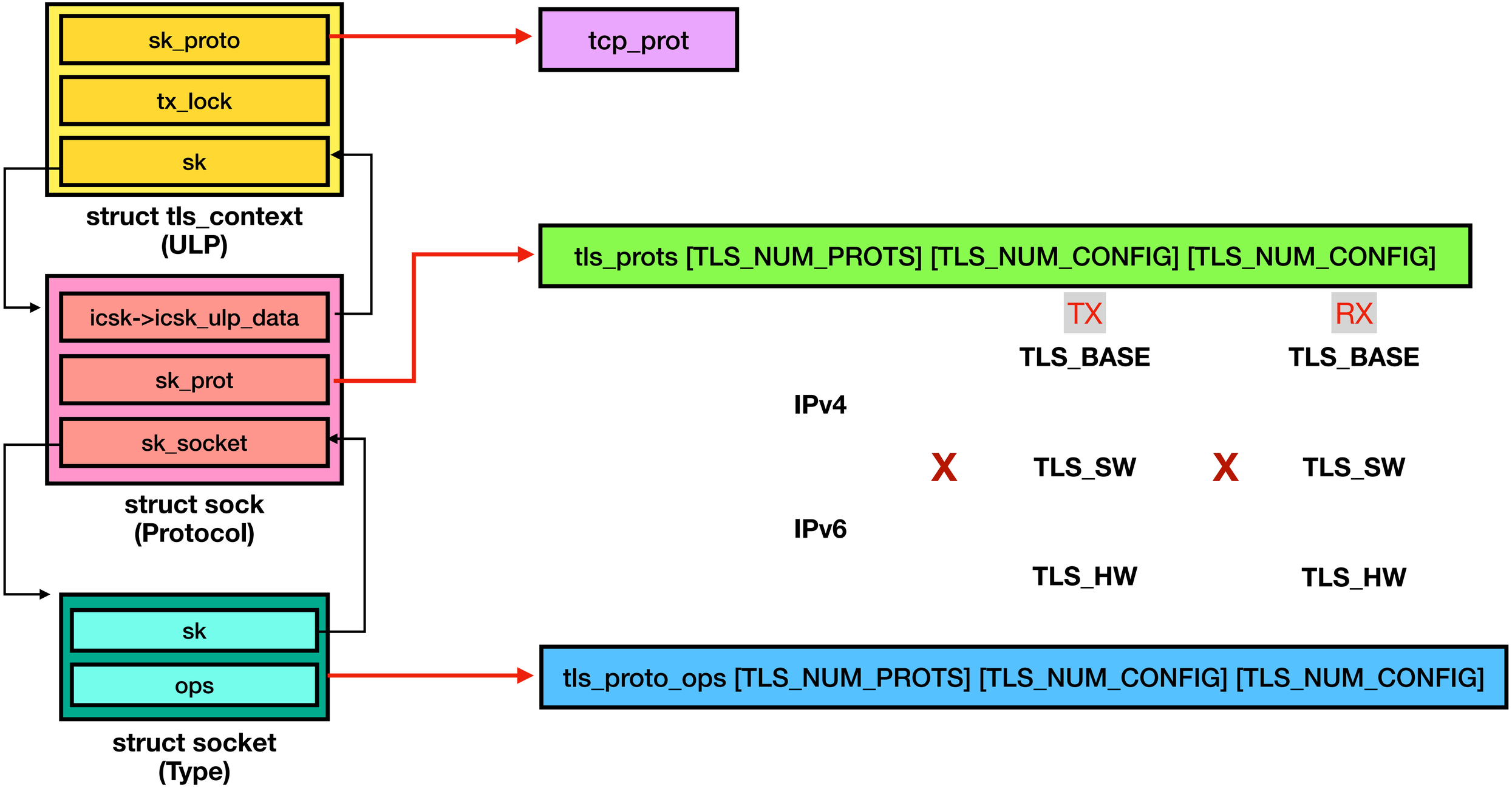
sk_proto
tx_lock
sk
struct tls_context
(ULP)
icsk->icsk_ulp_data
sk_prot
sk_socket
struct sock
(Protocol)
sk
ops
struct socket
(Type)
tcp_prot
tls_prots [TLS_NUM_PROTS] [TLS_NUM_CONFIG] [TLS_NUM_CONFIG]
TX
RX
TLS_BASE
TLS_BASE
IPv4
X
TLS_SW
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IPv6
TLS_HW
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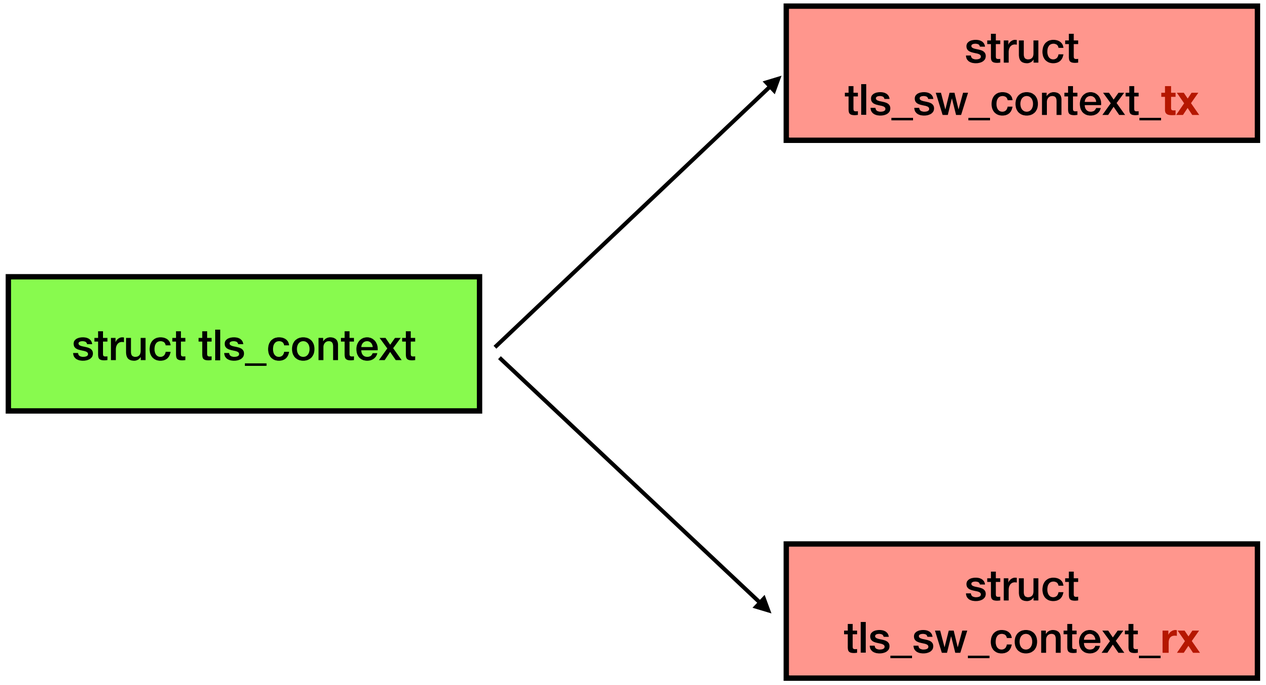

cipher type	AES_GCM_128
TLS vers.	TLS_1_2
KEY	0123…DEF
IV	12345678
SALT	SALT
…	…

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```
// 1. config a TCP socket to TLS
setsockopt(sockfd, SOL_TCP, TCP_ULP, "tls", sizeof("tls"));

// 2. config TX / RX of the TLS socket
struct tls12_crypto_info_aes_gcm_128 crypto_info = {};

crypto_info.info.version = TLS_1_2_VERSION;
crypto_info.info.cipher_type = TLS_CIPHER_AES_GCM_128;

memcpy(crypto_info.key, "0123456789ABCDEF", TLS_CIPHER_AES_GCM_128_KEY_SIZE); // 16
memcpy(crypto_info.iv, "12345678", TLS_CIPHER_AES_GCM_128_IV_SIZE); // 8
memcpy(crypto_info.salt, "SALT", TLS_CIPHER_AES_GCM_128_SALT_SIZE); // 4

setsockopt(sockfd, SOL_TLS, TLS_TX, &crypto_info, sizeof(crypto_info));
setsockopt(sockfd, SOL_TLS, TLS_RX, &crypto_info, sizeof(crypto_info));
```

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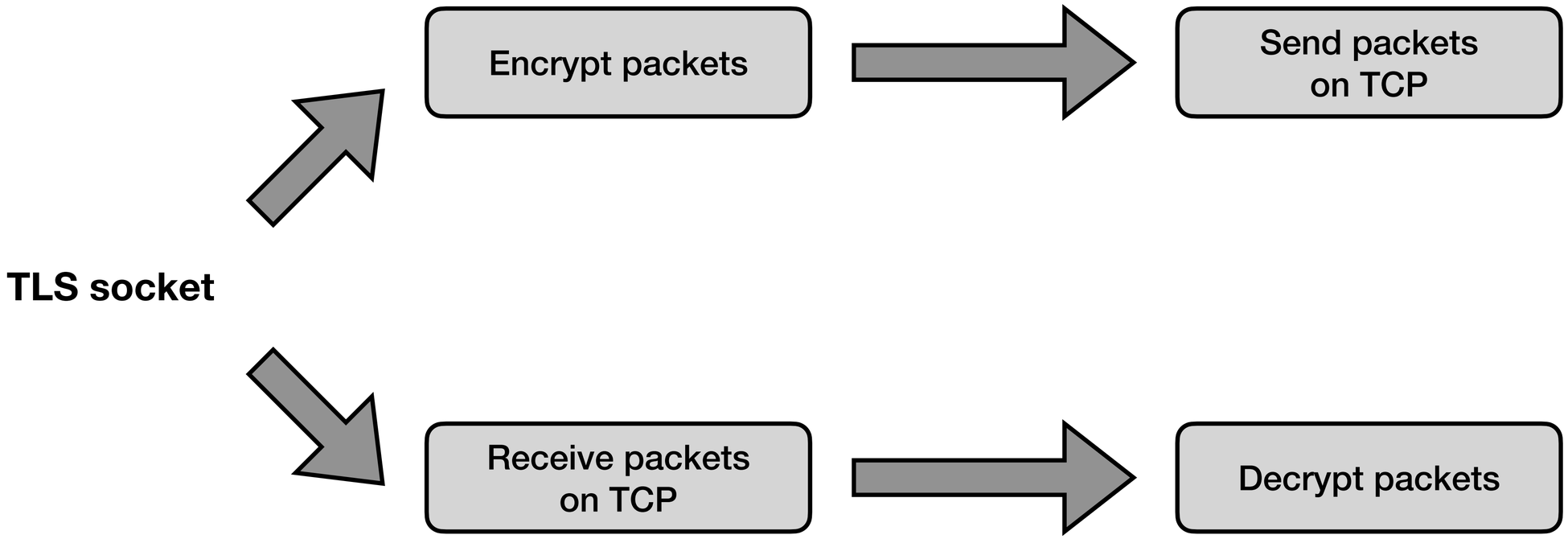
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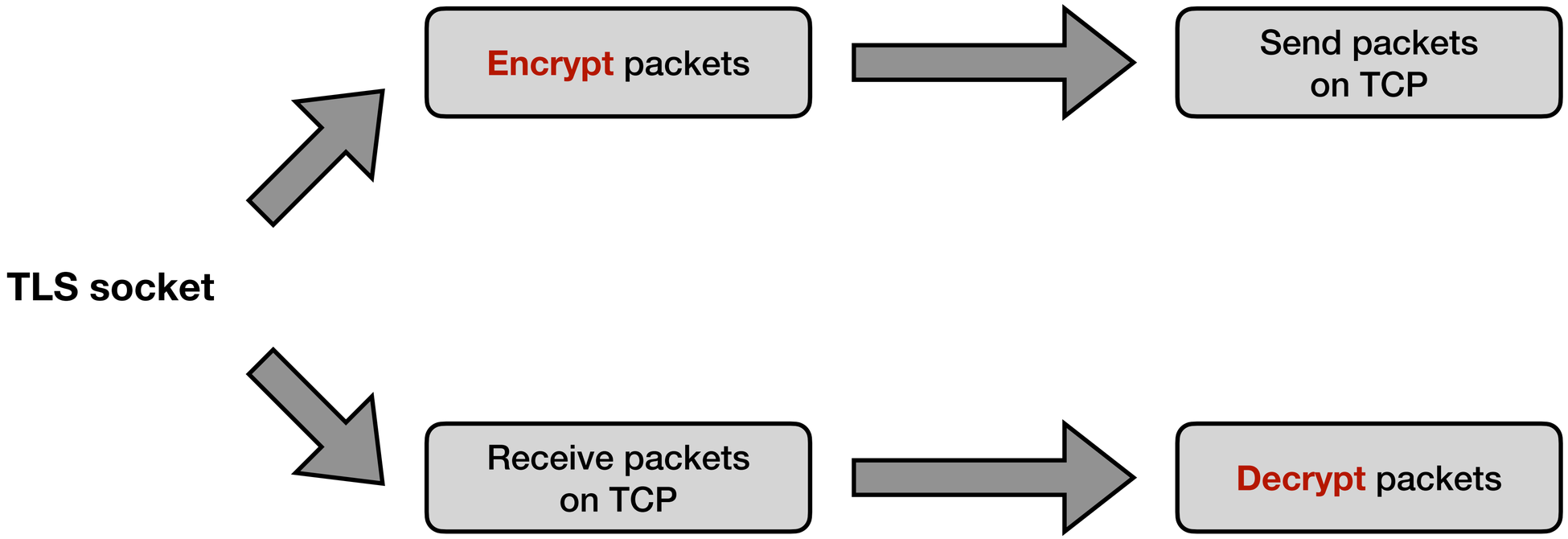
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- **Algorithm**
  - Implementation of a specific cryptographic operation, such as AES, SHA-256, or HMAC
- **Template**
  - Constructing more complex cryptographic transformations by combining or layering simpler algorithms

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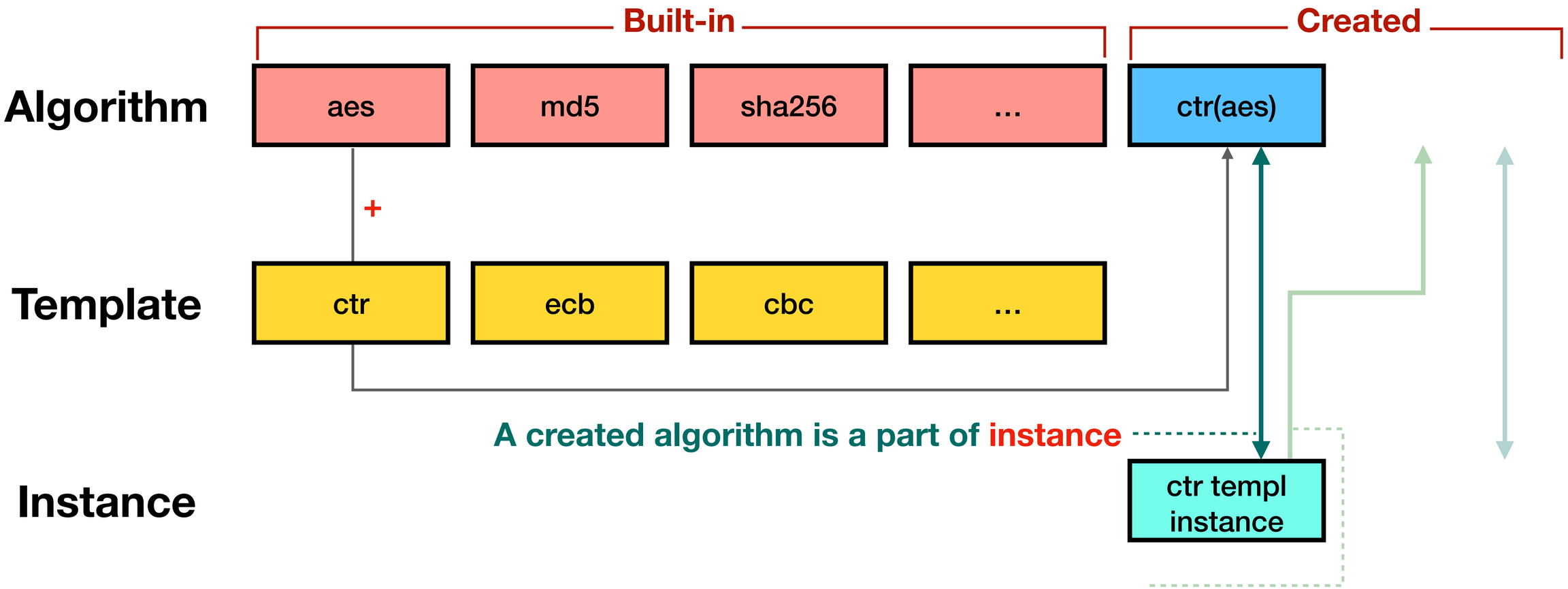
- **Instance**
  - Instantiation of a cryptographic template, where specific algorithms and parameters have been configured
- **Spawn**
  - Create a linkage or dependency between cryptographic instances and algorithms


Built-in
Created
Algorithm
aes
md5
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A created algorithm is a part of instance
Instance
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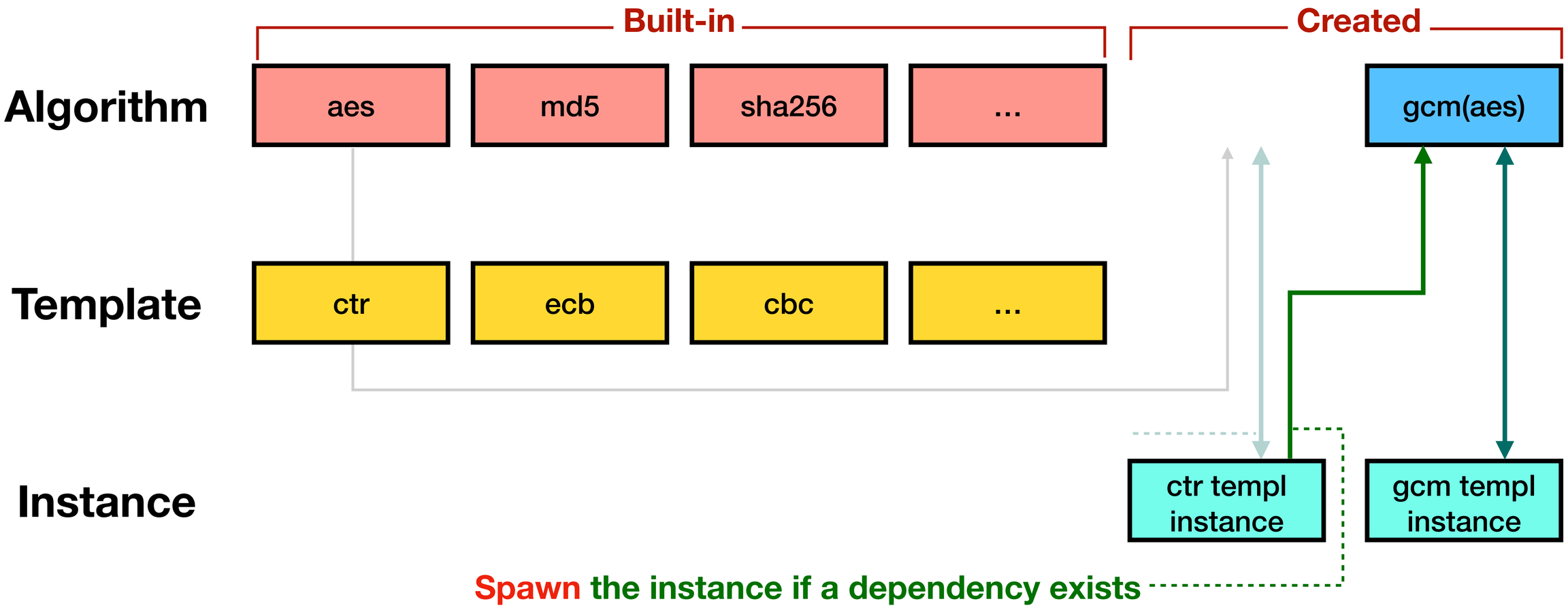
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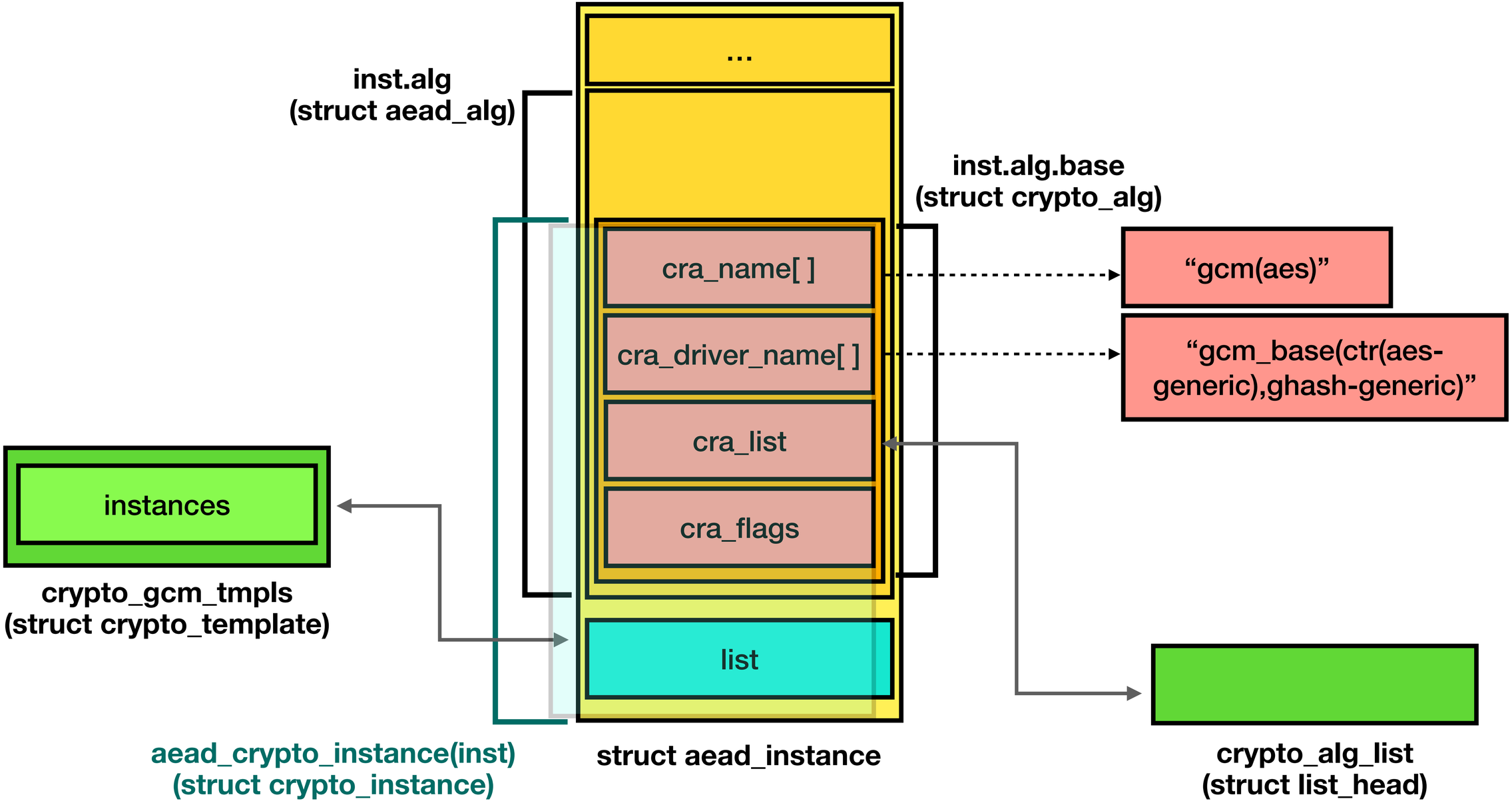
Spawn the instance if a dependency exists


...
inst.alg
(struct aead_alg)
inst.alg.base
(struct crypto_alg)
cra_name[ ]
cra_driver_name[ ]
cra_list
cra_flags
list
"gcm(aes)"
"gcm_base(ctr(aes-generic),ghash-generic)"
instances
crypto_gcm_tmpls
(struct crypto_template)
aead_crypto_instance(inst)
(struct crypto_instance)
struct aead_instance
crypto_alg_list
(struct list_head)

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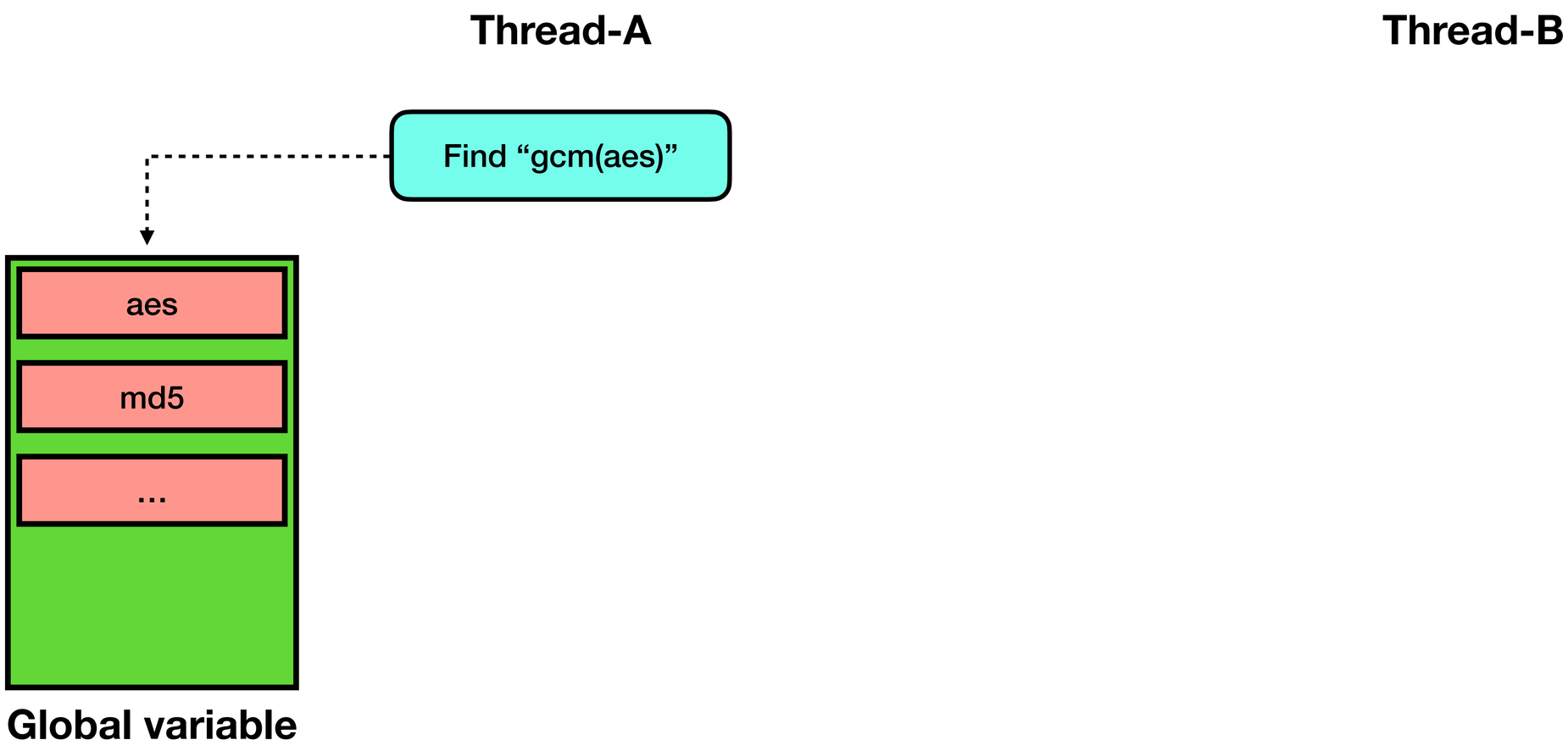
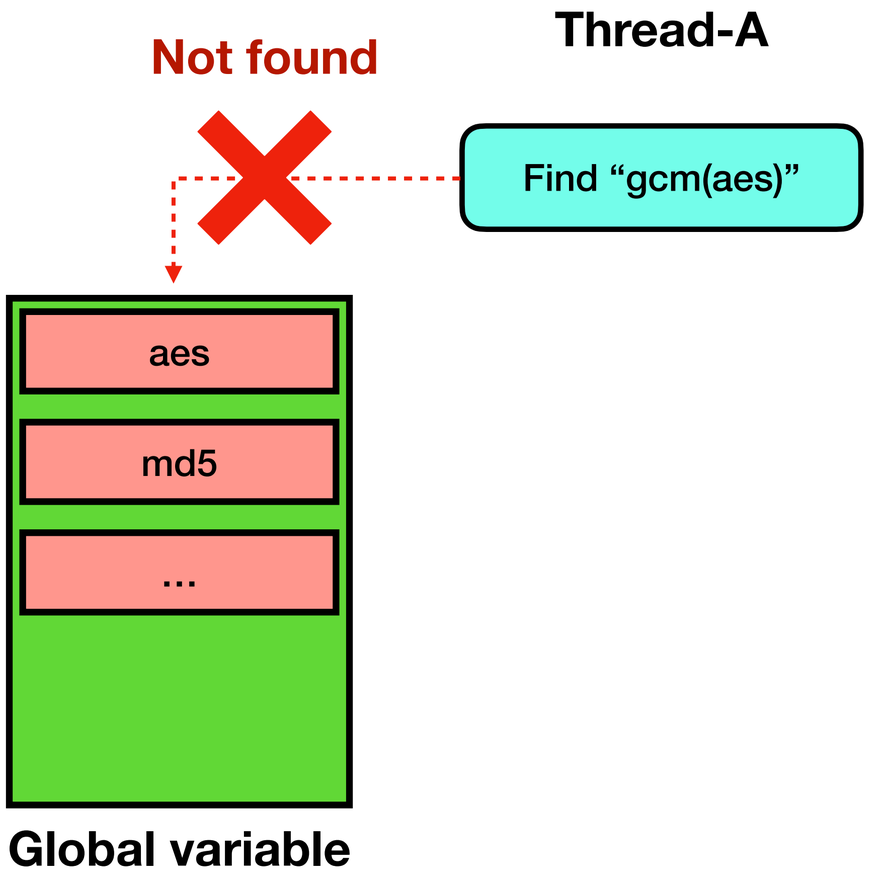
- For example, if we configure “gcm(aes)” as the crypto algorithm of TX…


Thread-A
Thread-B
Find “gcm(aes)”
aes
md5
...
Global variable


Not found
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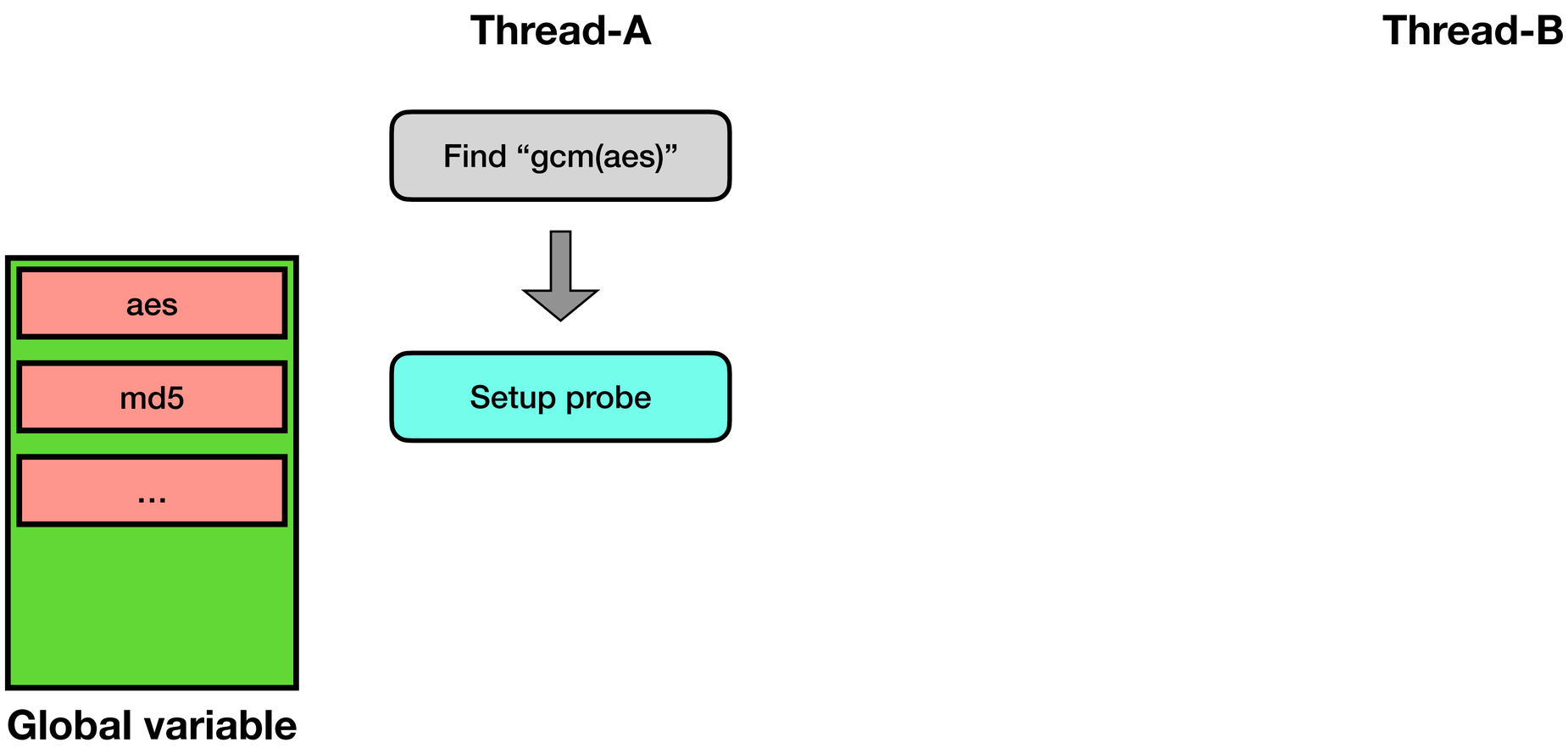
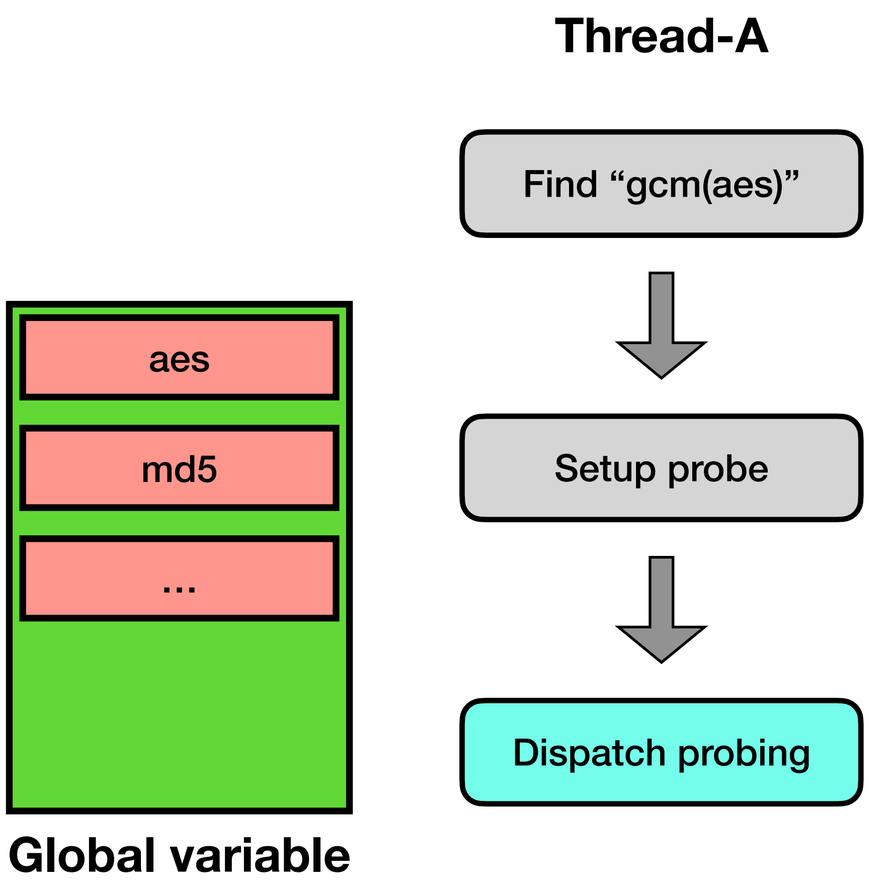

Thread-A
Thread-B
Find “gcm(aes)”
Setup probe
aes
md5
...
Global variable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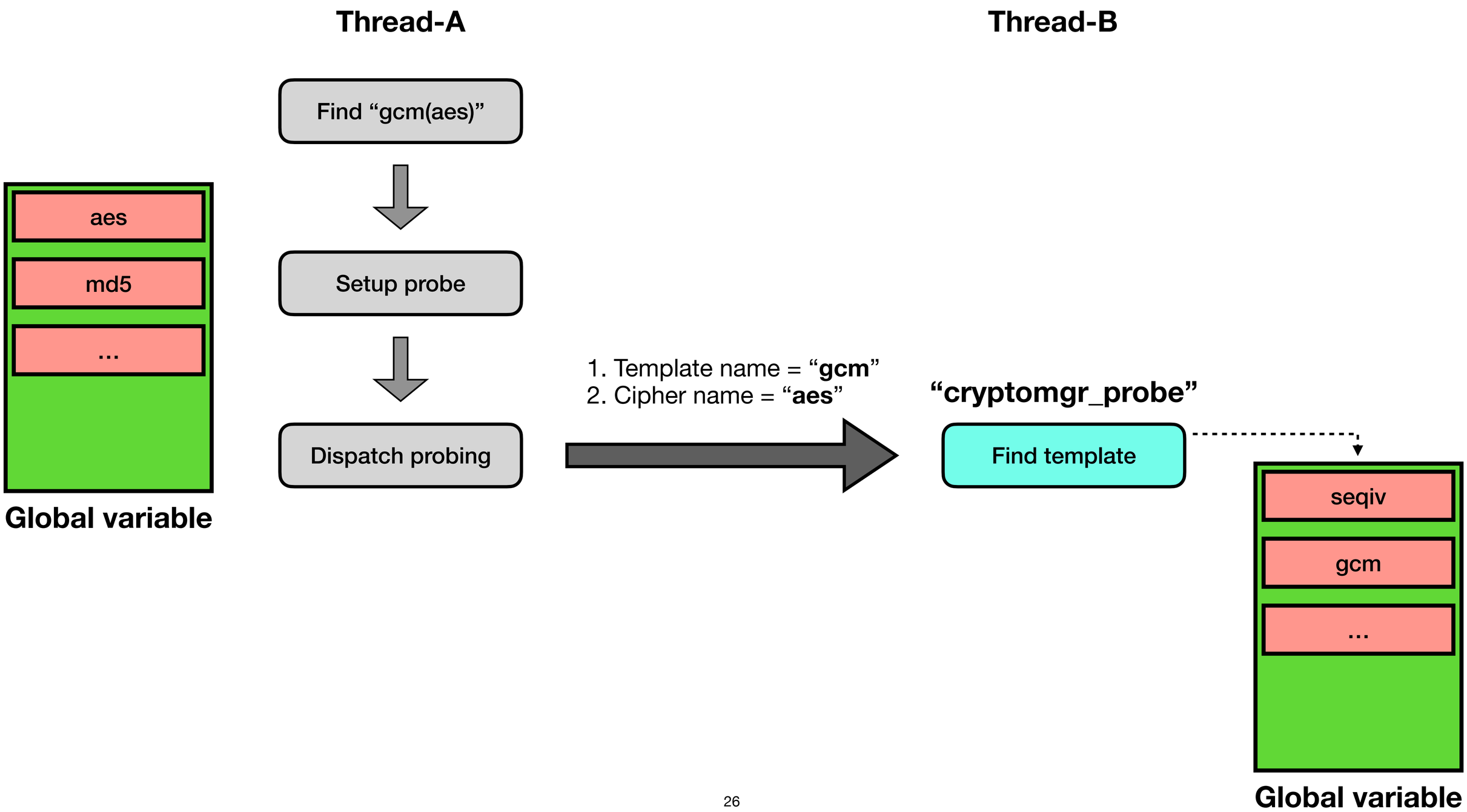
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Find “gcm(aes)”
Setup probe
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Global variable
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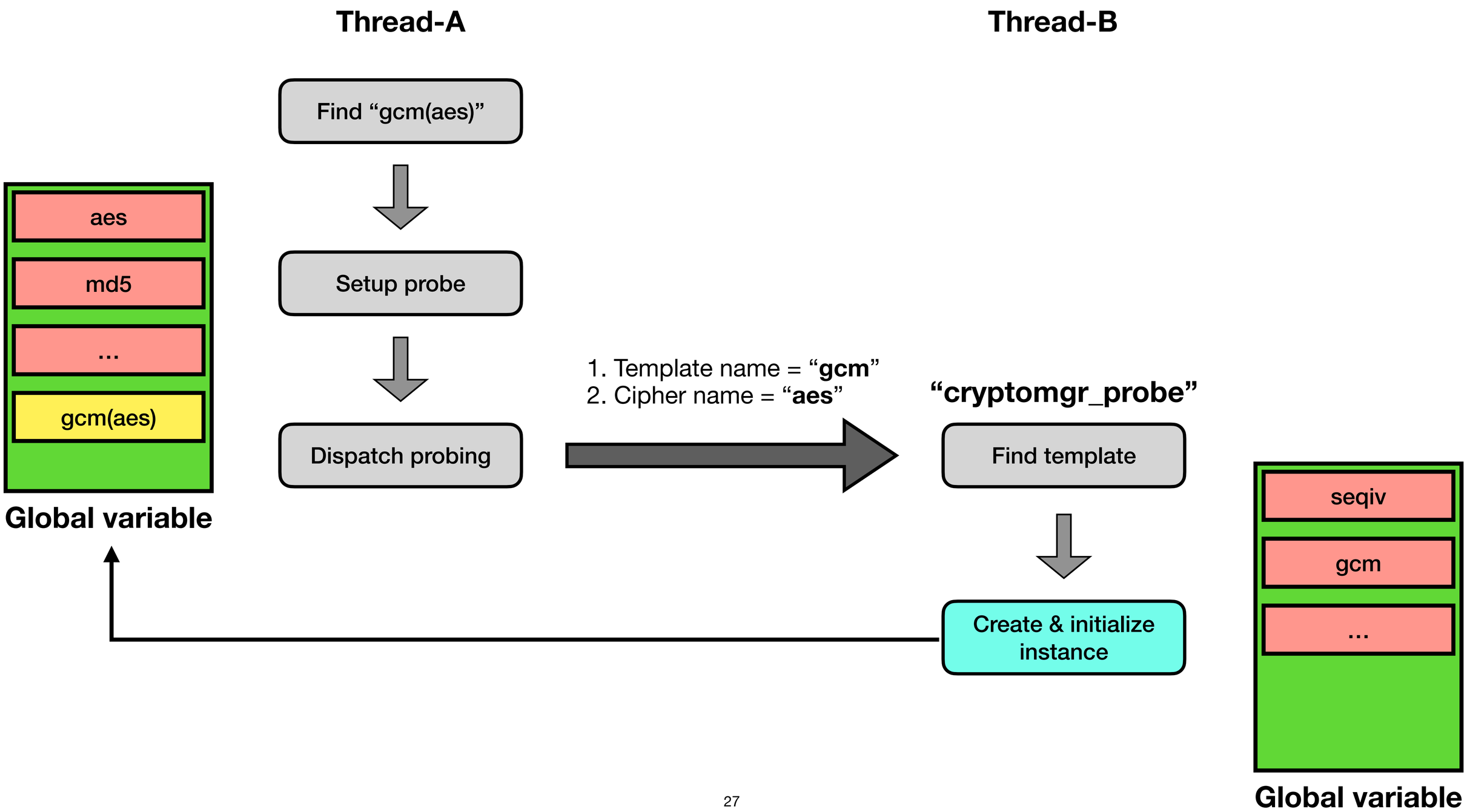
“cryptomgr_probe”
Find template
seqiv
gcm
...
Global variable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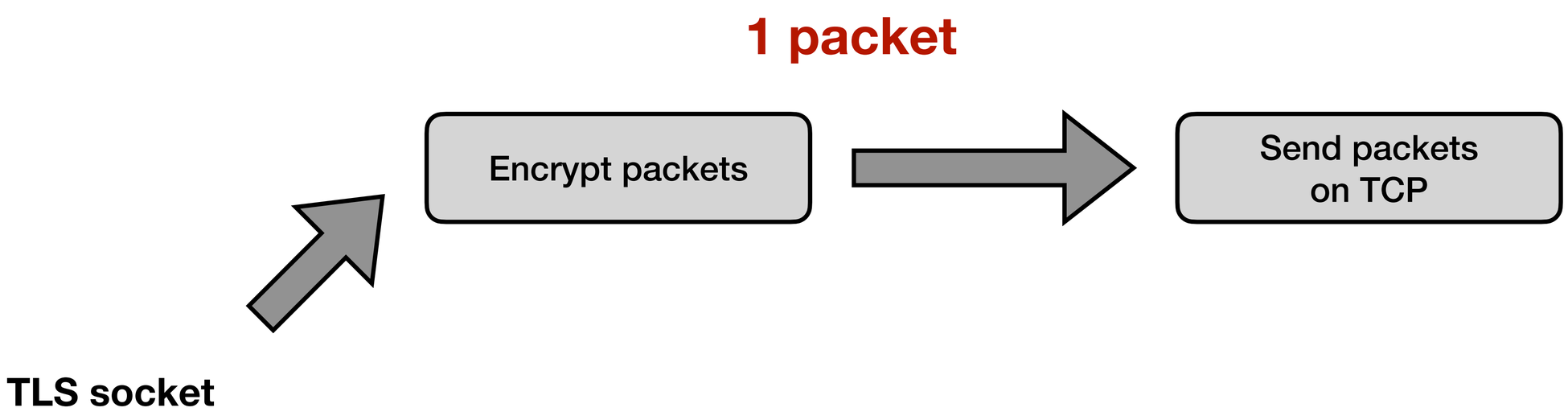

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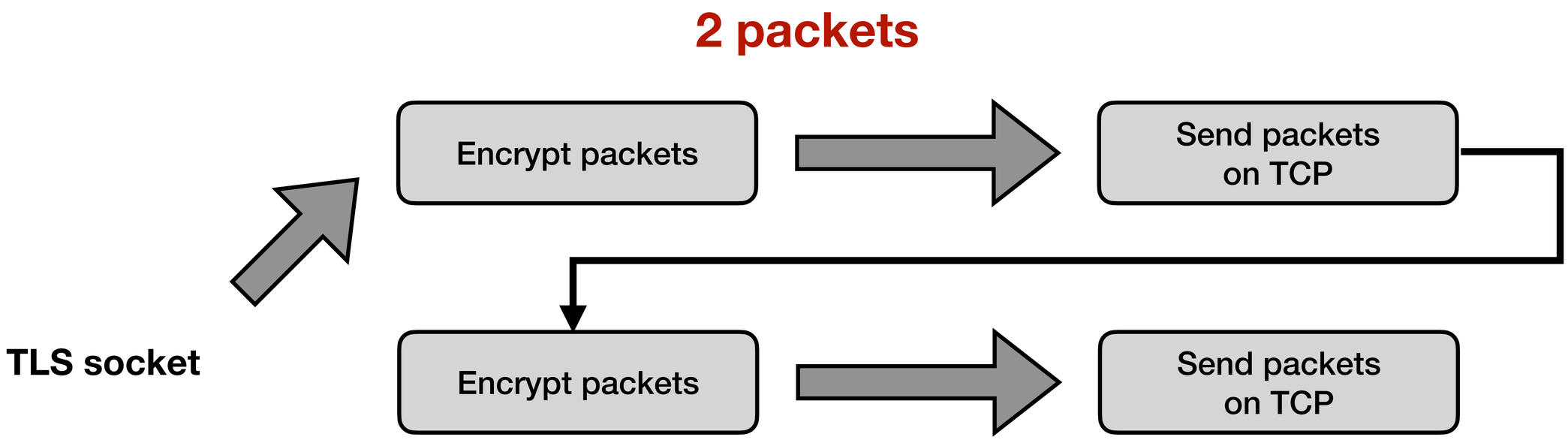
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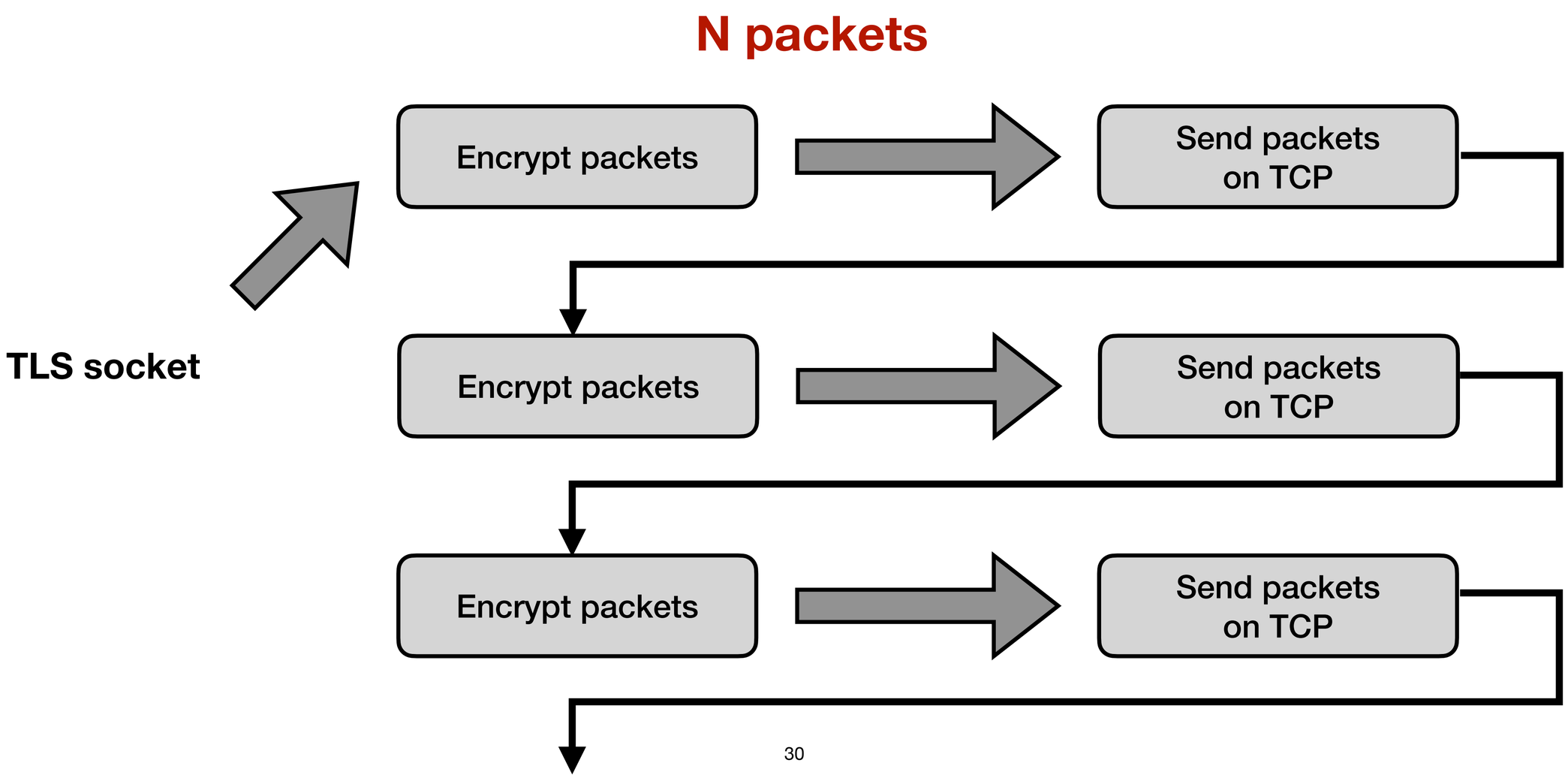
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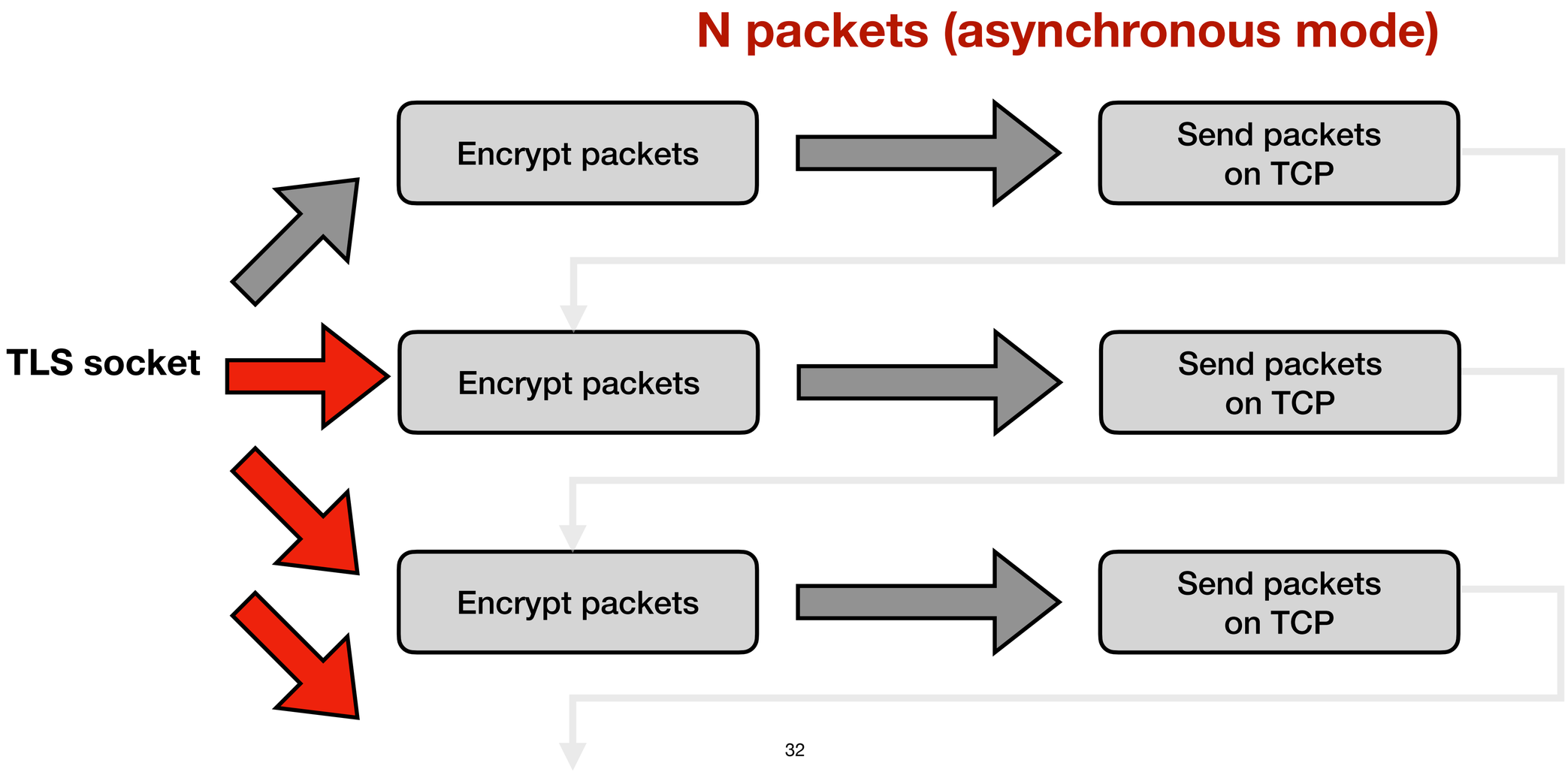
N packets (asynchronous mode)
TLS socket
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Send packets on TCP
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Send packets on TCP

Overview

Vendor specific drivers

```
C aes_cbc.c drivers/crypto/vmx 1
  CRYPTO_ALG_ASYNC);
C aes_ctr.c drivers/crypto/vmx 1
  CRYPTO_ALG_ASYNC);
C aes_xts.c drivers/crypto/vmx 1
  CRYPTO_ALG_ASYNC);
C zynqmp-aes-gcm.c drivers/crypto/xilinx 1
  CRYPTO_ALG_ASYNC |
C dm-verity-target.c drivers/md 1
  v->use_tasklet ? CRYPTO_ALG_ASYNC : 0);
C ppp_mppe.c drivers/net/ppp 1
  ...crypto_has_ahash("sha1", 0, CRYPTO_ALG_ASYNC))
C tcp.c drivers/nvme/host 1
  ...crypto_alloc_ahash("crc32c", 0, CRYPTO_ALG_ASYNC);
C tcp.c drivers/nvme/target 1
  ...crypto_alloc_ahash("crc32c", 0, CRYPTO_ALG_ASYNC);
C iscsi_tcp.c drivers/scsi 1
  ...crypto_alloc_ahash("crc32c", 0, CRYPTO_ALG_ASYNC);
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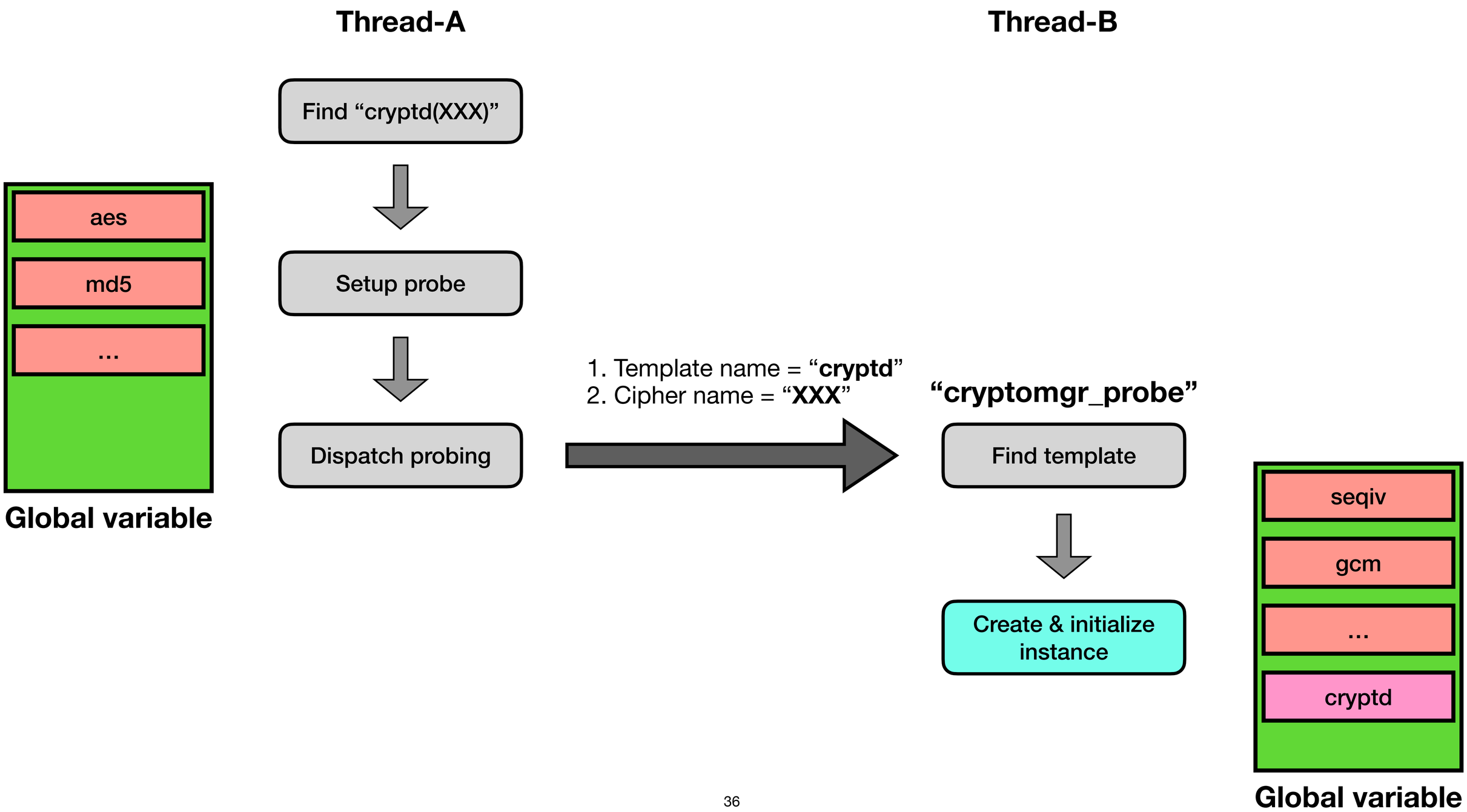
Thread-A
Thread-B
Find “cryptd(XXX)”
Setup probe
Dispatch probing
aes
md5
...
Global variable
1. Template name = “cryptd”
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“cryptomgr_probe”
Find template
Create & initialize instance
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gcm
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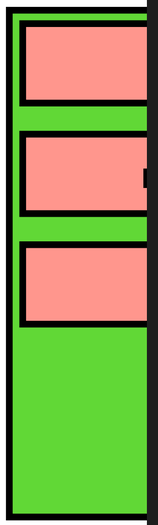
cryptd
Global variable

Thread-A

Thread-B



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```
static int cryptd_create_aead(struct crypto_template *tmpl,
                              struct rtattr **tb,
                              struct crypto_attr_type *algt,
                              struct cryptd_queue *queue)
{
    struct aead_instance_ctx *ctx;
    struct aead_instance *inst;

    // [...]
    inst = kzalloc(sizeof(*inst) + sizeof(*ctx), GFP_KERNEL);
    ctx = aead_instance_ctx(inst);

    // [...]
    inst->alg.base.cra_flags |= CRYPTO_ALG_ASYNC
        (alg->base.cra_flags & CRYPTO_ALG_INTERNAL);

    // [...]
    err = aead_register_instance(tmpl, inst);

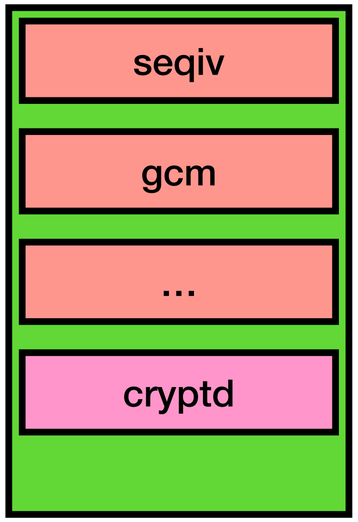
    // [...]
}
```

td”

“cryptomgr_probe”

Find template

Create & initialize instance



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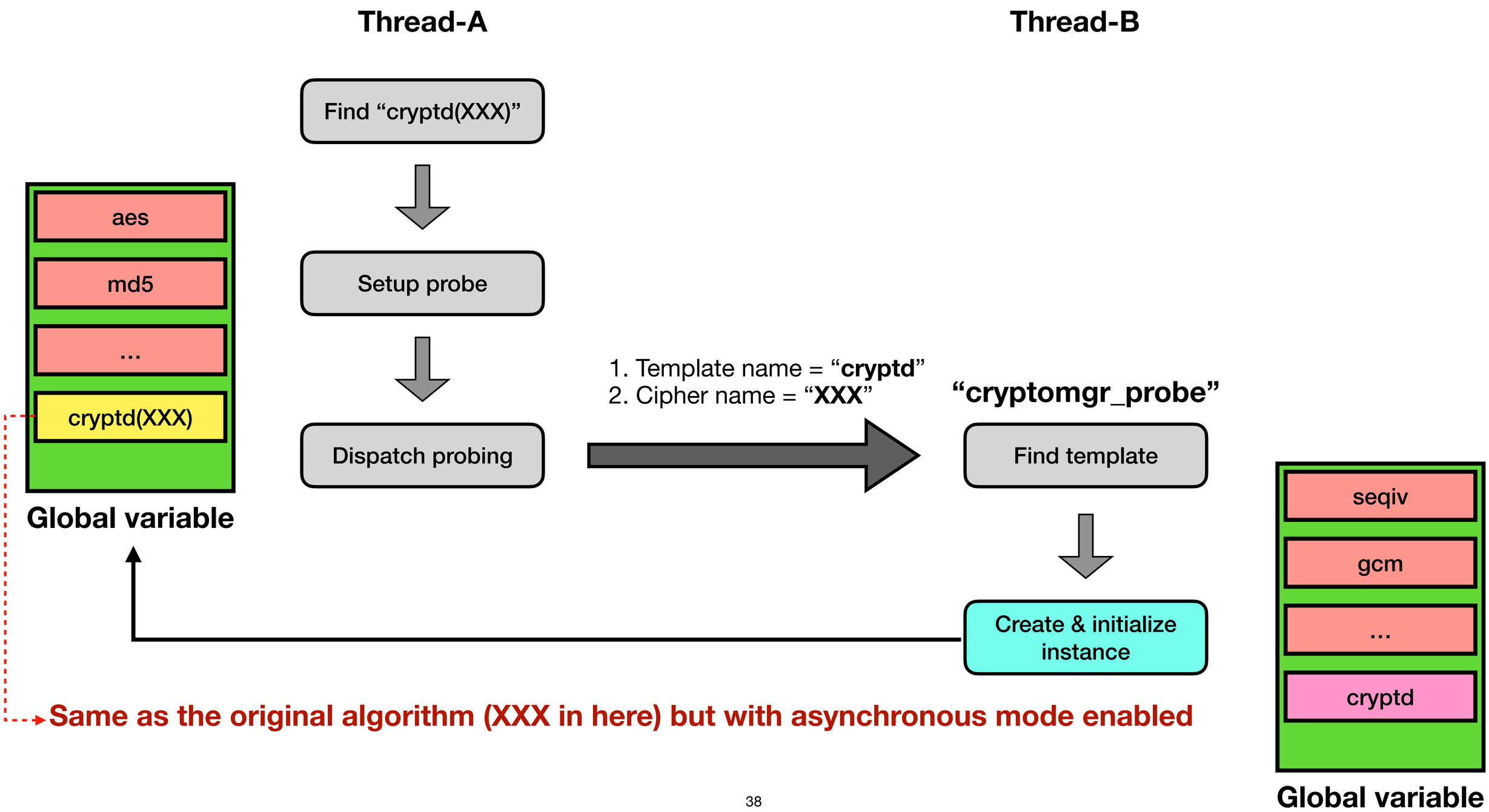
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Setup probe
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Create & initialize instance
aes
md5
...
cryptd(XXX)
Global variable
seqiv
gcm
...
cryptd
Global variable
Same as the original algorithm (XXX in here) but with asynchronous mode enabled

Overview

- But how?

```
const struct tls_cipher_desc tls_cipher_desc[TLS_CIPHER_MAX + 1 - TLS_CIPHER_MIN] = {
    TLS_CIPHER_AES_GCM_128, ..., "gcm(aes)"
    TLS_CIPHER_AES_GCM_256, ..., "gcm(aes)"
    TLS_CIPHER_AES_CCM_128, ..., "ccm(aes)"
    TLS_CIPHER_CHACHA20_POLY1305, ..., "rfc7539(chacha20,poly1305)"
    TLS_CIPHER_SM4_GCM, ..., "gcm(sm4)"
    TLS_CIPHER_SM4_CCM, ..., "ccm(sm4)"
    TLS_CIPHER_ARIA_GCM_128, ..., "gcm(aria)"
    TLS_CIPHER_ARIA_GCM_256, ..., "gcm(aria)"
};
```

Overview

- **AF_ALG**
  - Interface to kernel crypto API
  - Algorithm probing with user-provided algorithm name

```
#include <linux/if_alg.h>

int sock = socket(AF_ALG, SOCK_SEQPACKET, 0);
struct sockaddr_alg sa = {
    .salg_family = AF_ALG,
    .salg_type = "aead",
    .salg_name = "cryptd(gcm(aes))",
};
bind(sock, (struct sockaddr *)&sa, sizeof(sa));
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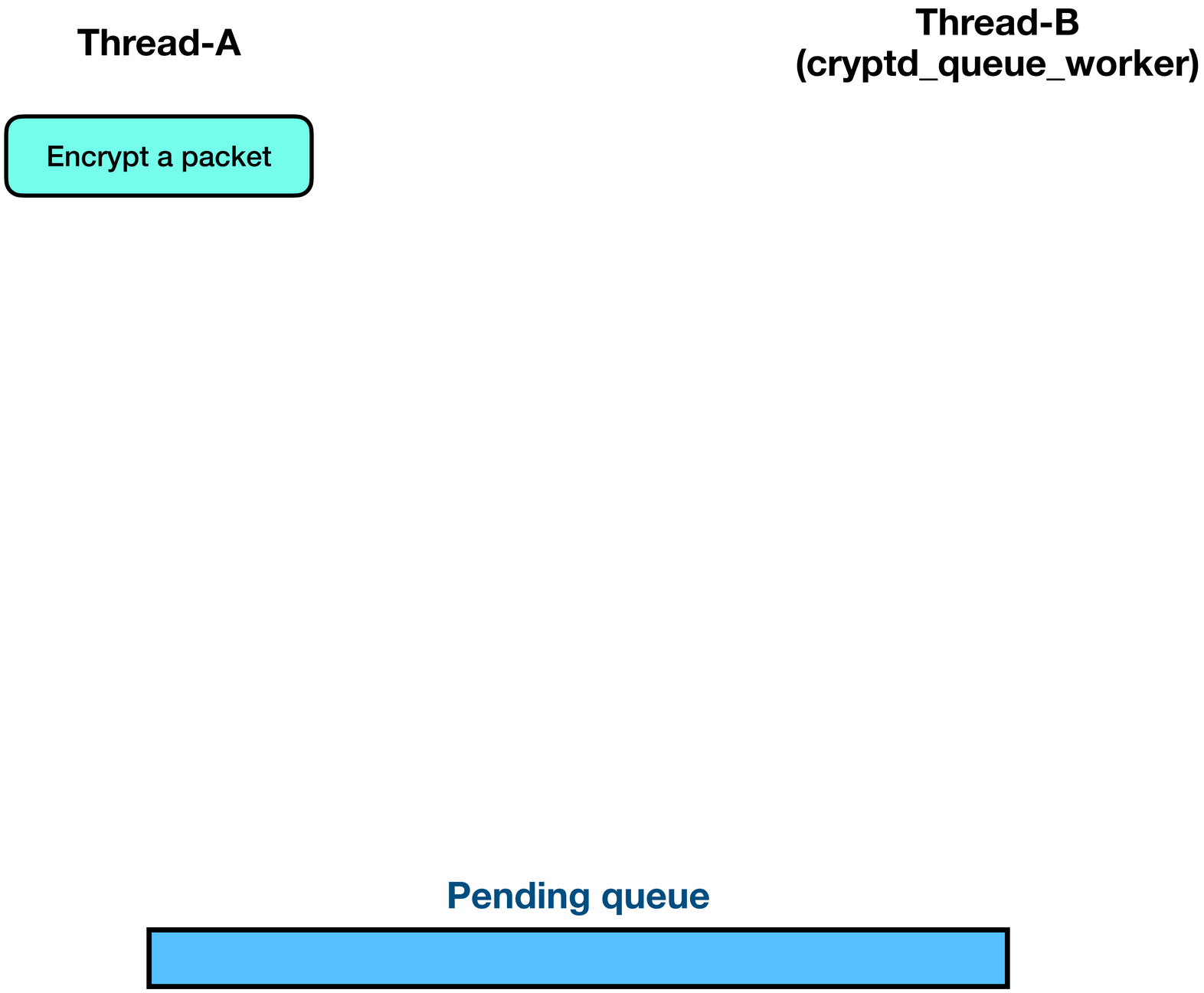
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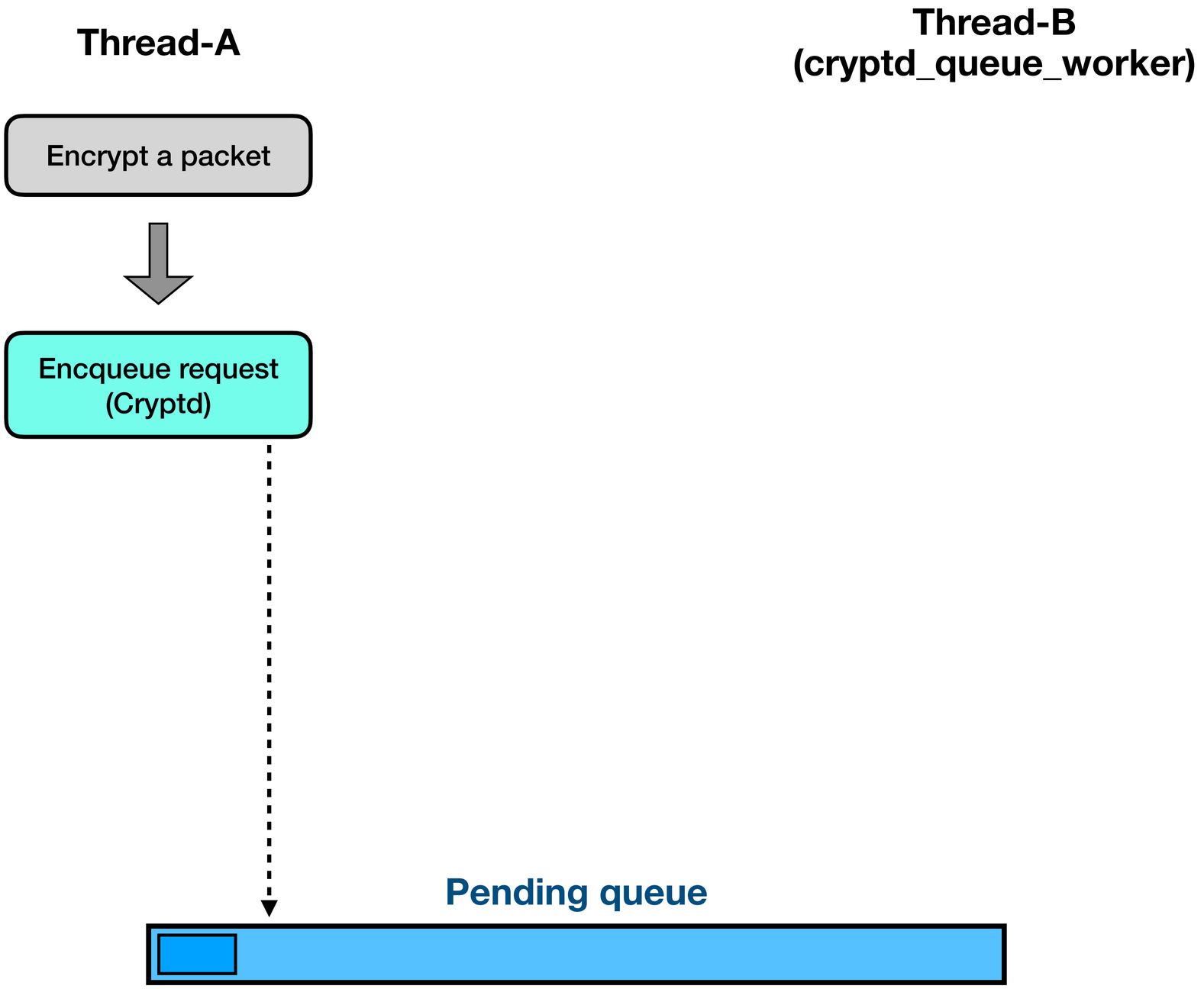
Thread-B
(cryptd_queue_worker)
Encrypt a packet
Pending queue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Encqueue request
(Cryptd)
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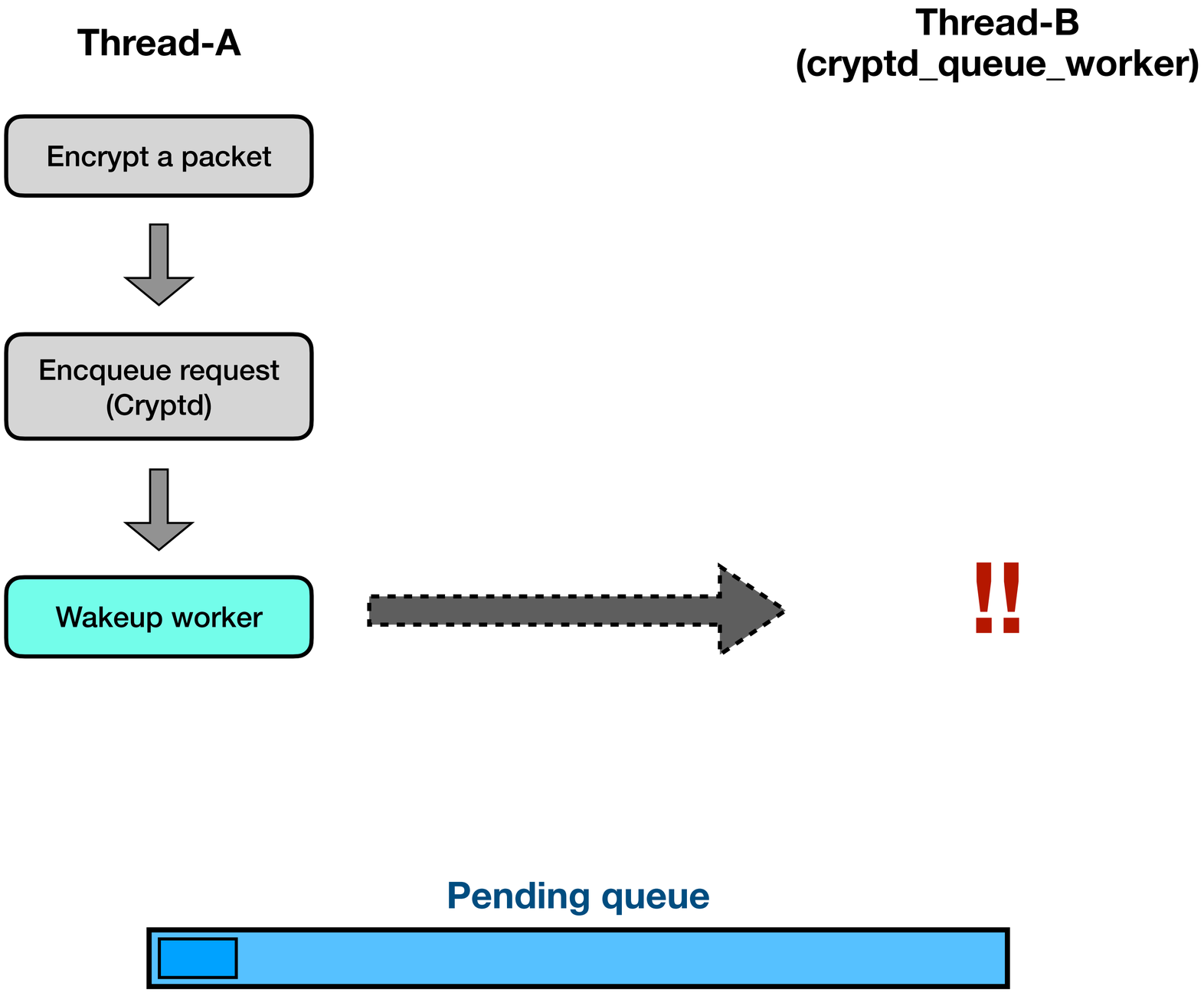
Thread-A
Thread-B
(cryptd_queue_worker)
Encrypt a packet
Encqueue request
(Cryptd)
Wakeup worker
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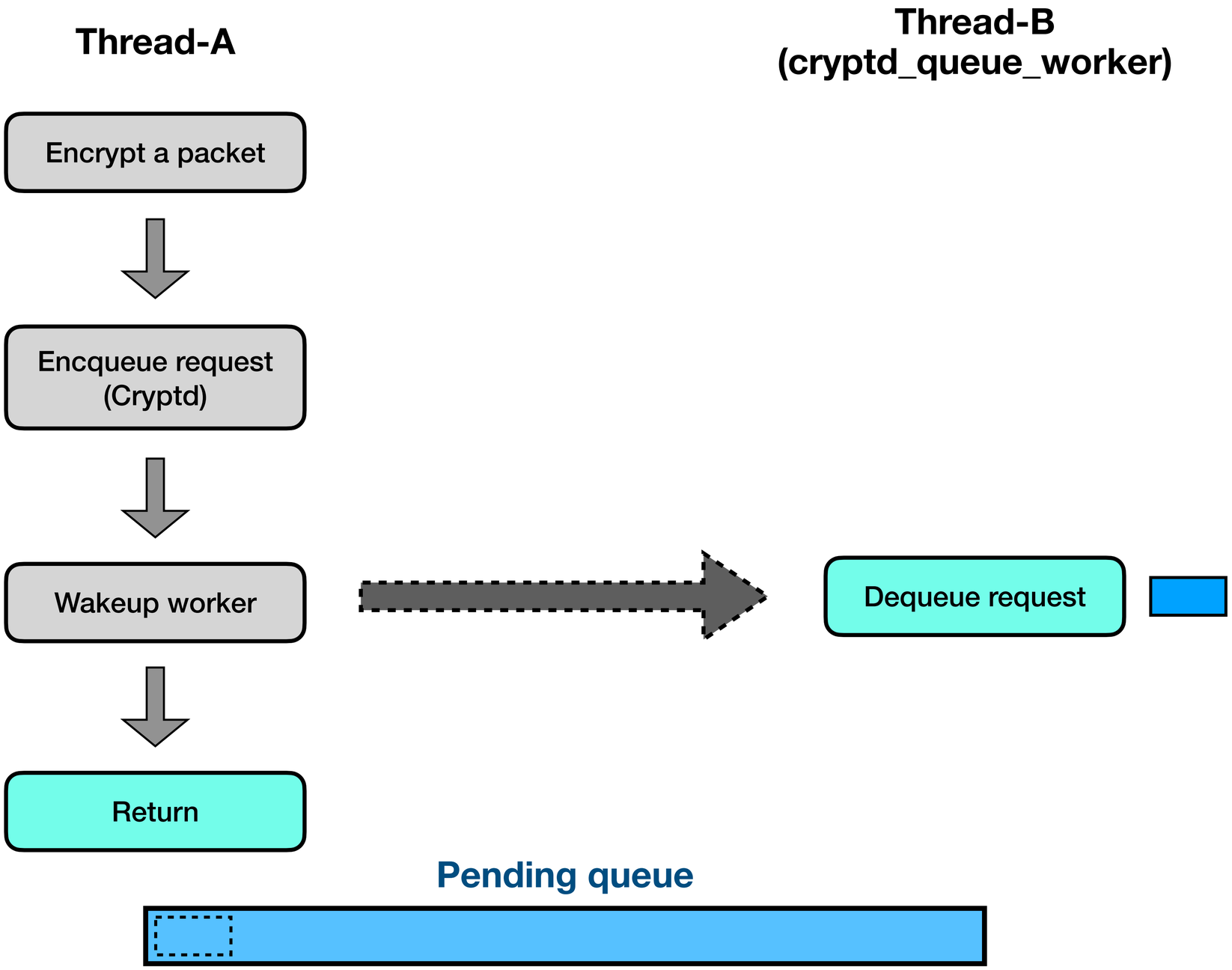
Pending queue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(Cryptd)
Wakeup worker
Return
Dequeue request
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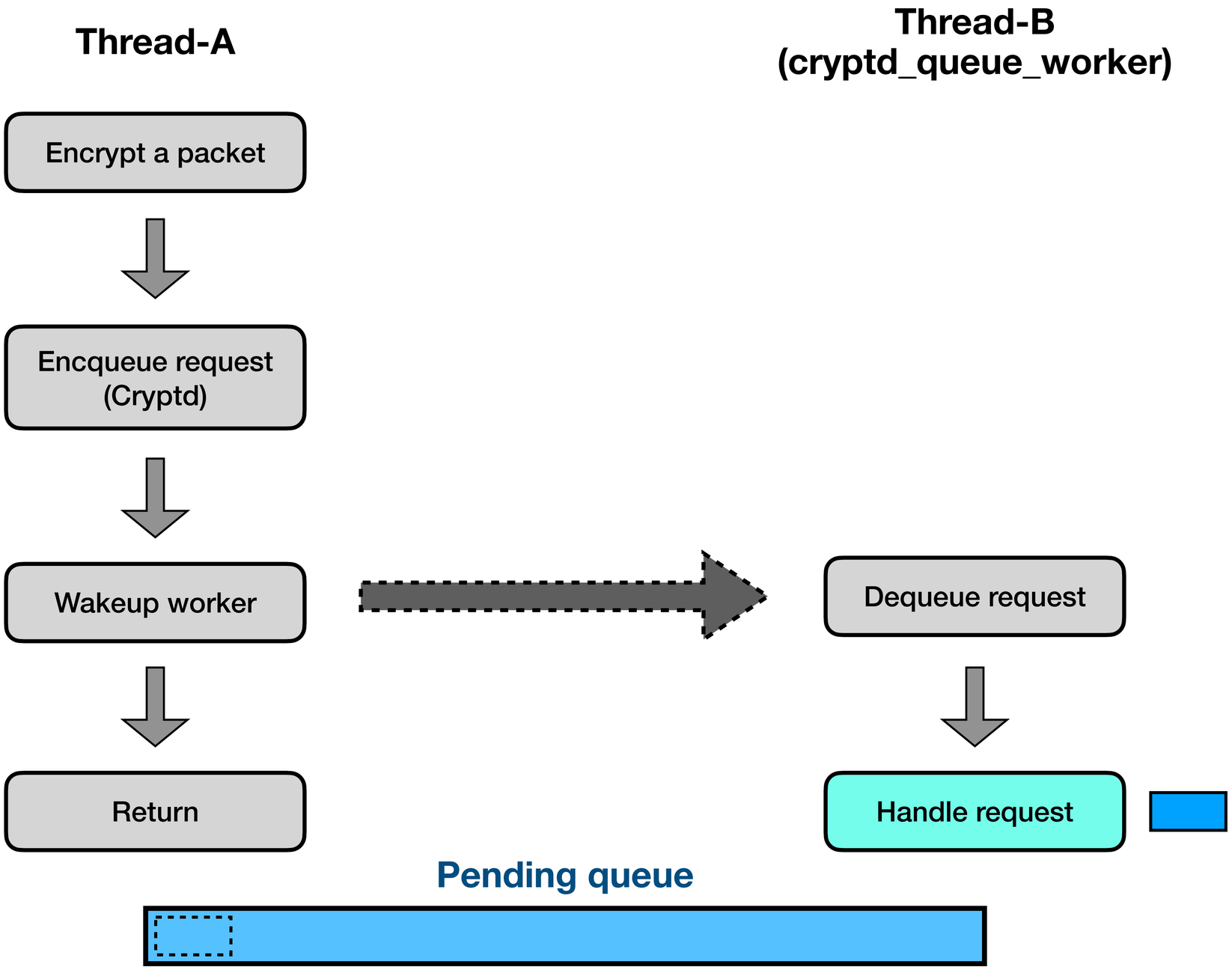
Thread-A
Thread-B
(cryptd_queue_worker)
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Encqueue request
(Cryptd)
Wakeup worker
Return
Dequeue request
Handle request
Pending queue

Vulnerability

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tls: fix race between async notify and socket close

```
The submitting thread (one which called recvmsg/sendmsg)
may exit as soon as the async crypto handler calls complete()
so any code past that point risks touching already freed data.

Try to avoid the locking and extra flags altogether.
Have the main thread hold an extra reference, this way
we can depend solely on the atomic ref counter for
synchronization.
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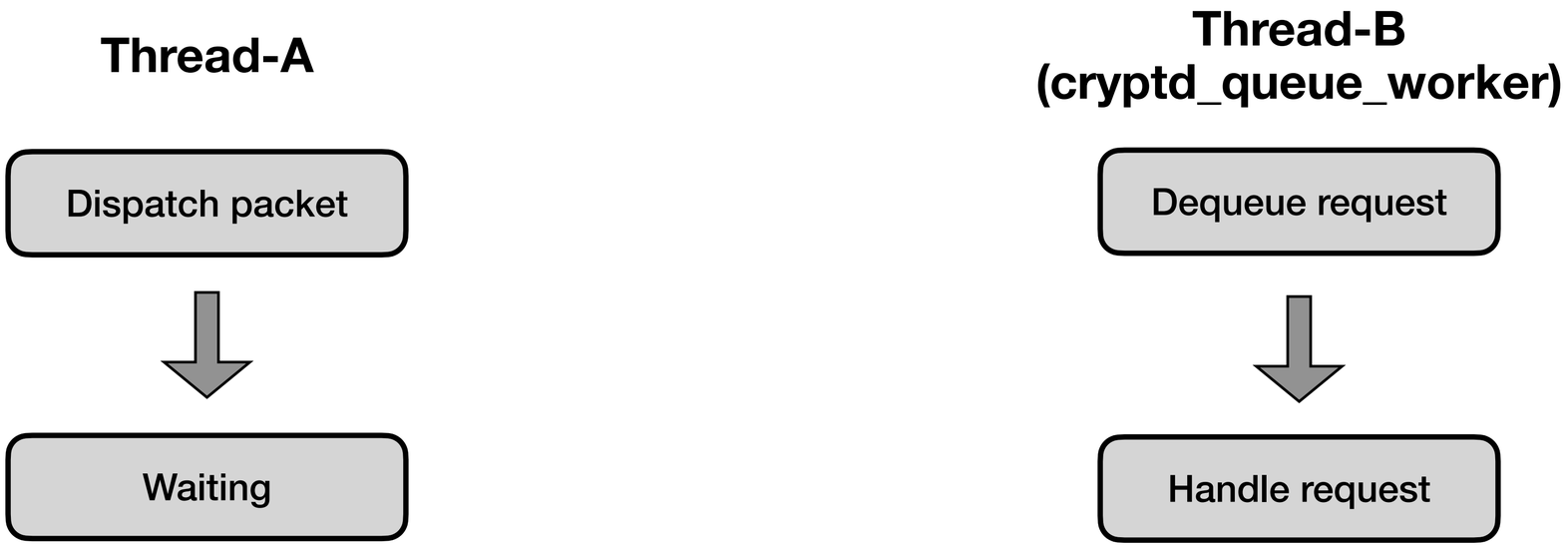
Thread-A
Dispatch packet
Waiting
Thread-B
(cryptd_queue_worker)
Dequeue request
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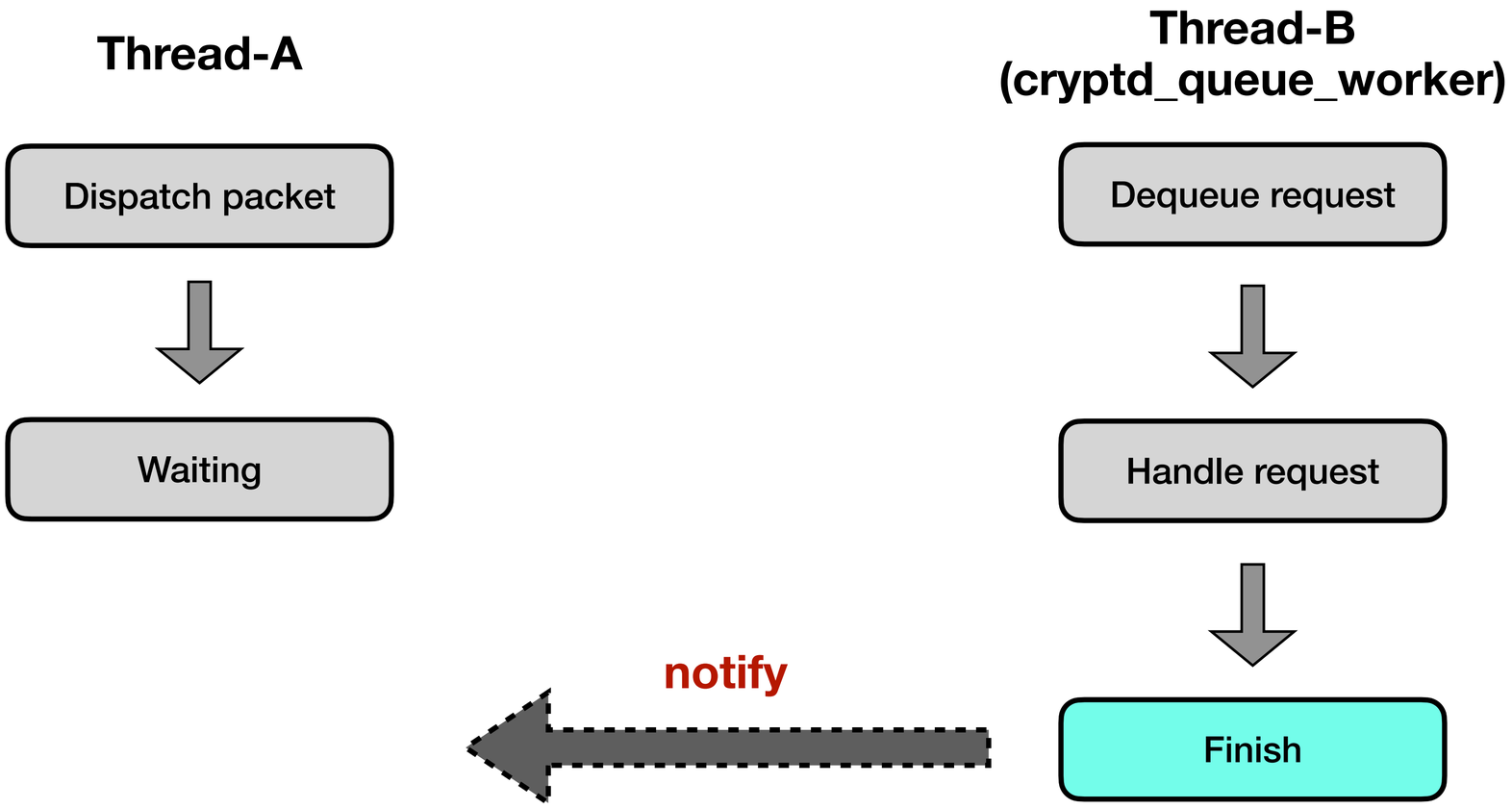
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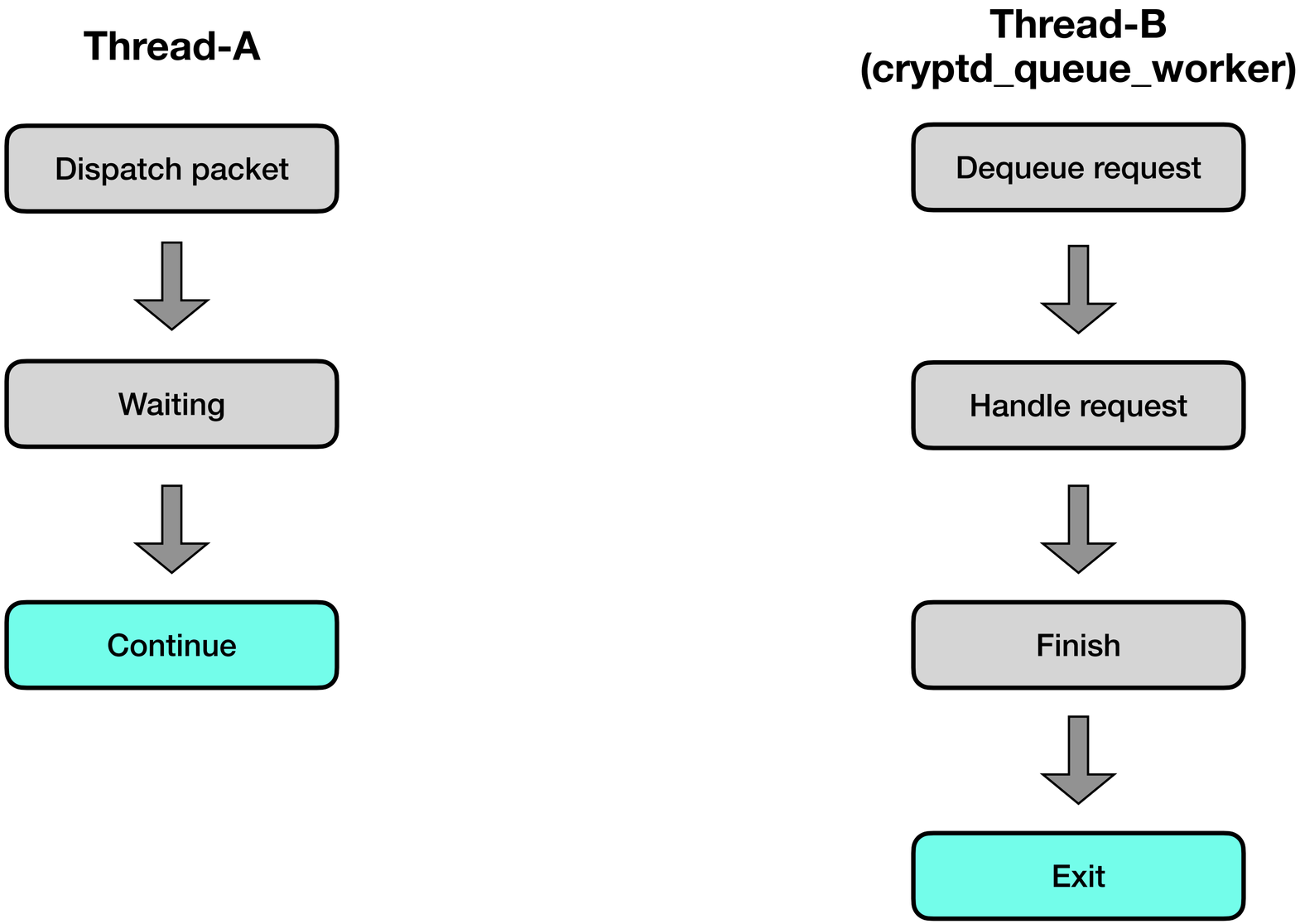
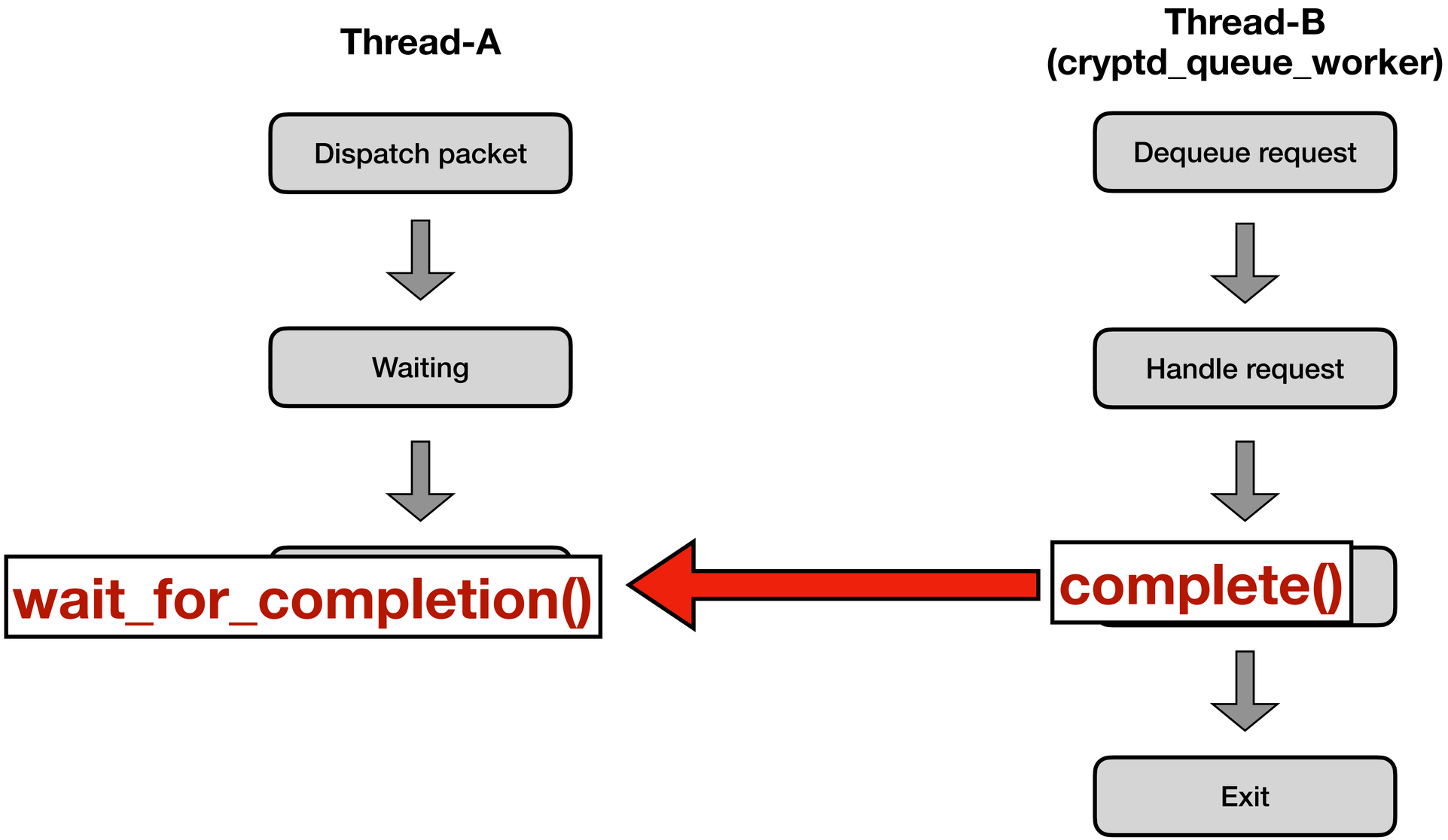
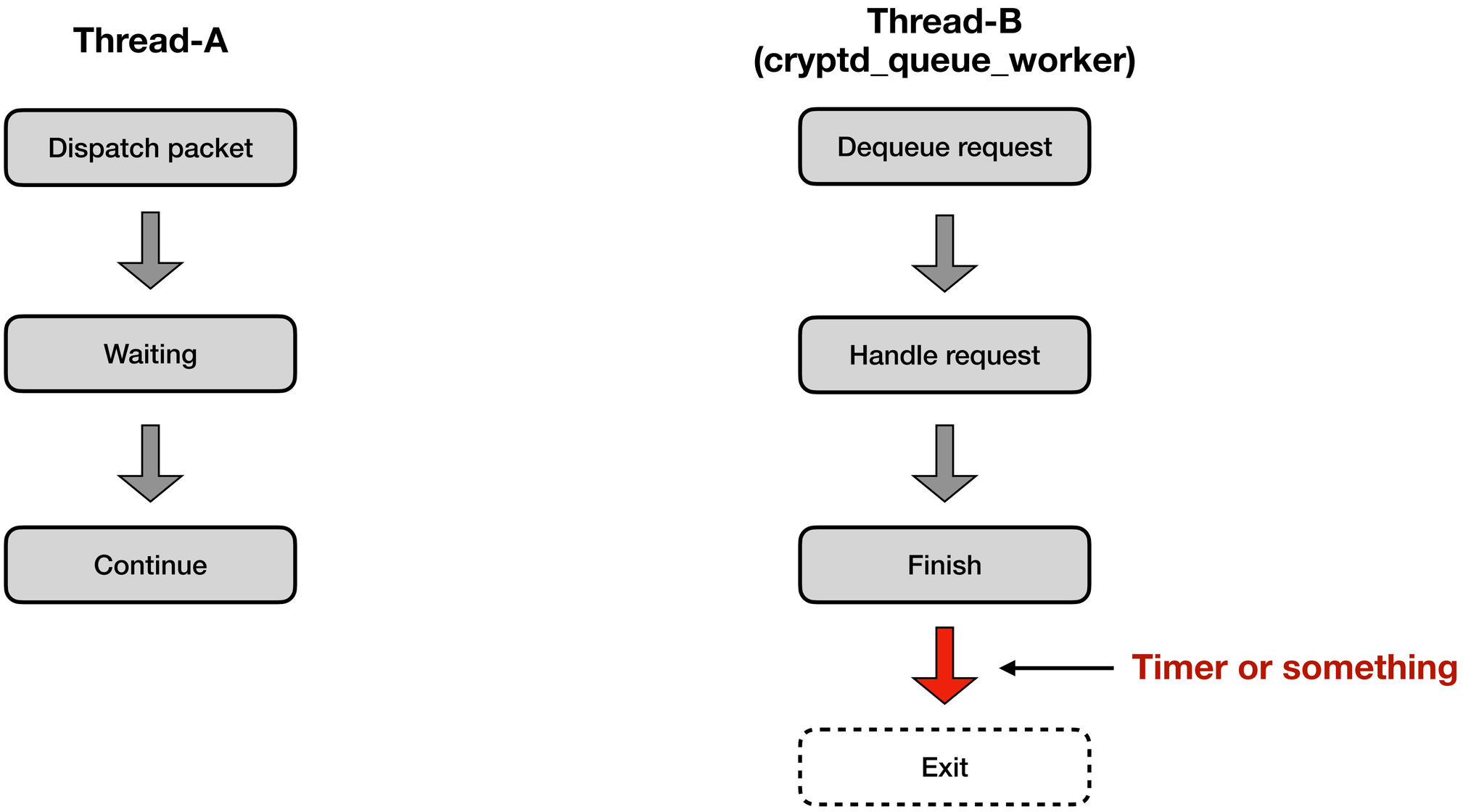
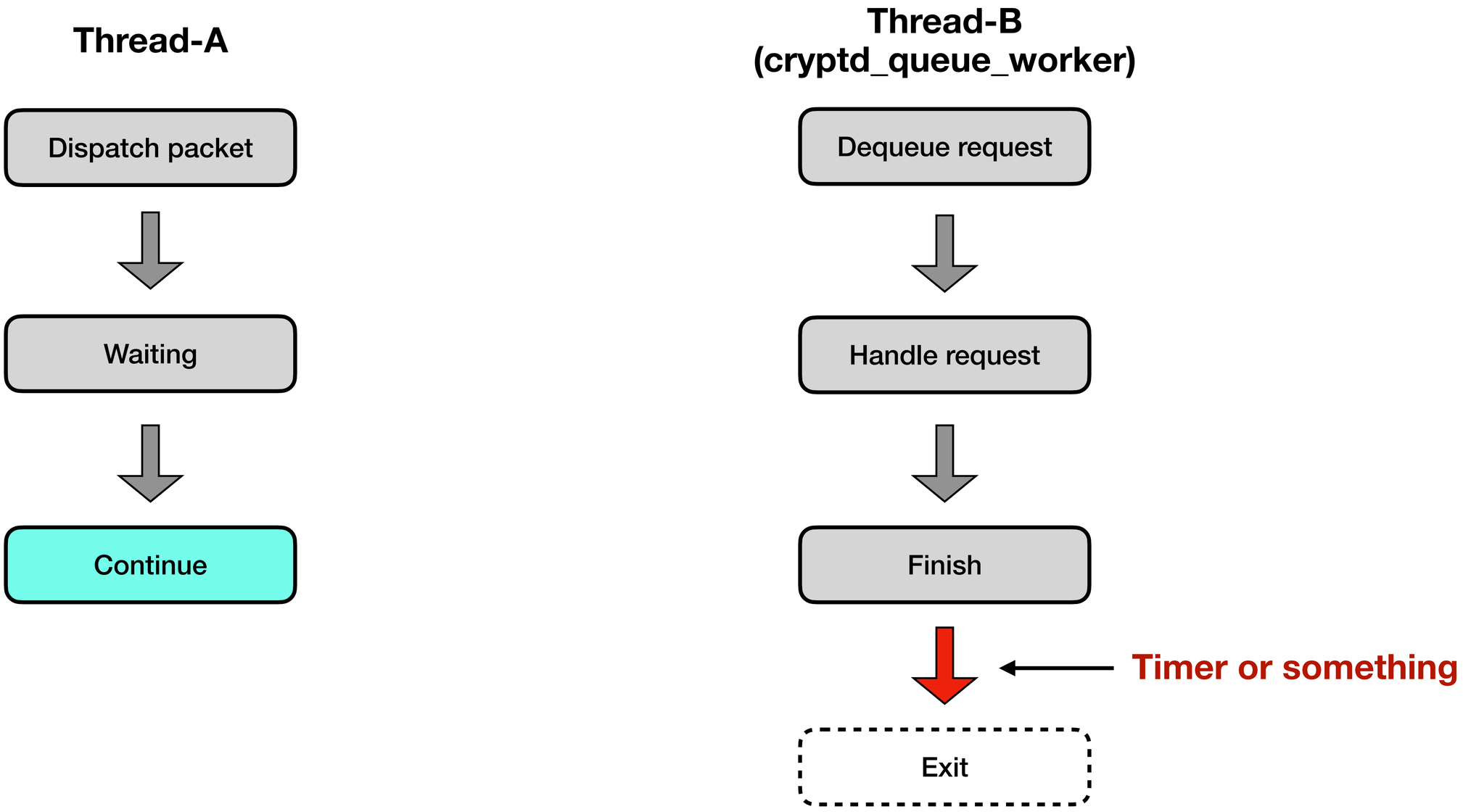
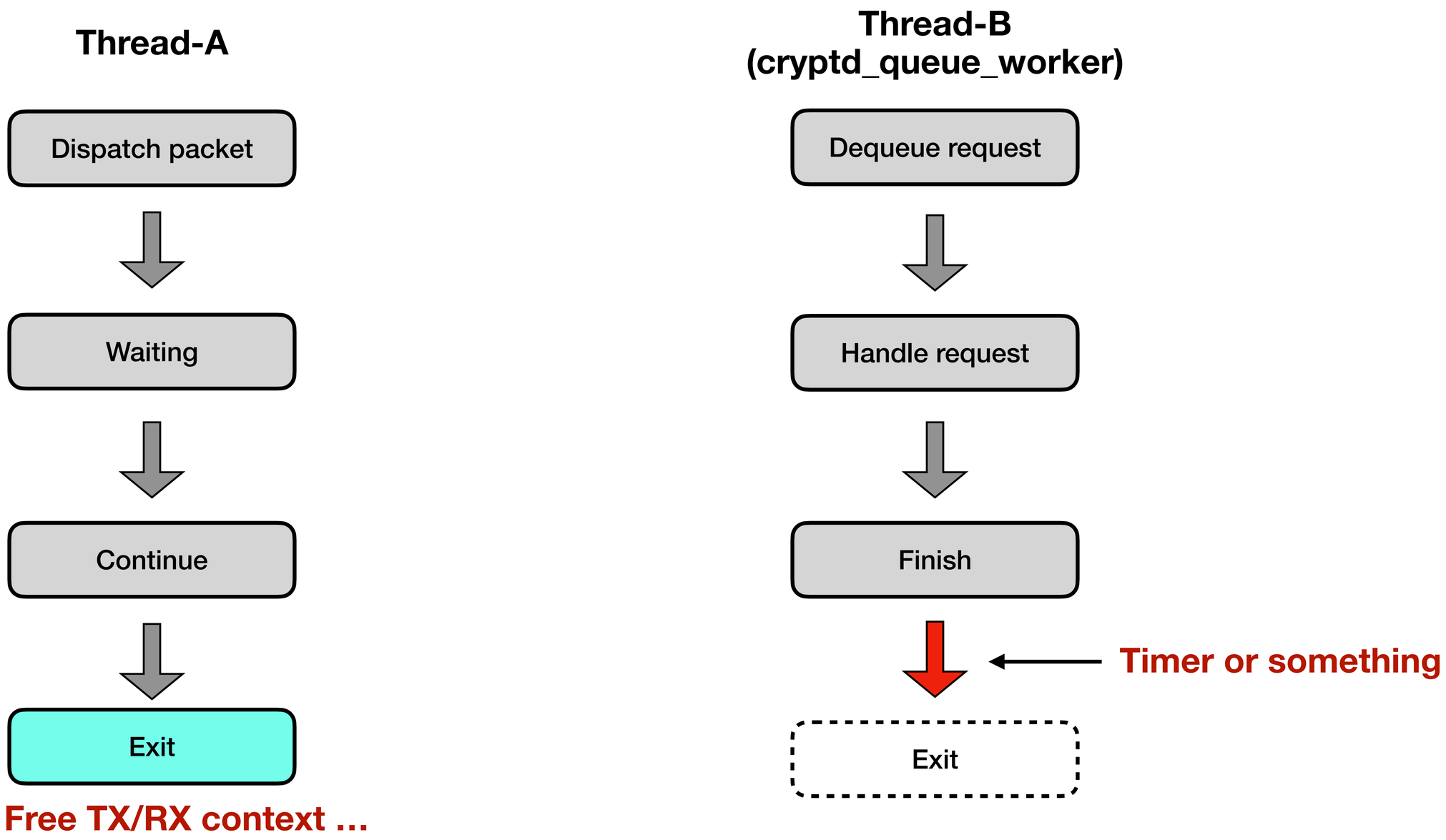
Waiting
Dequeue request
Handle request
Finish
notify

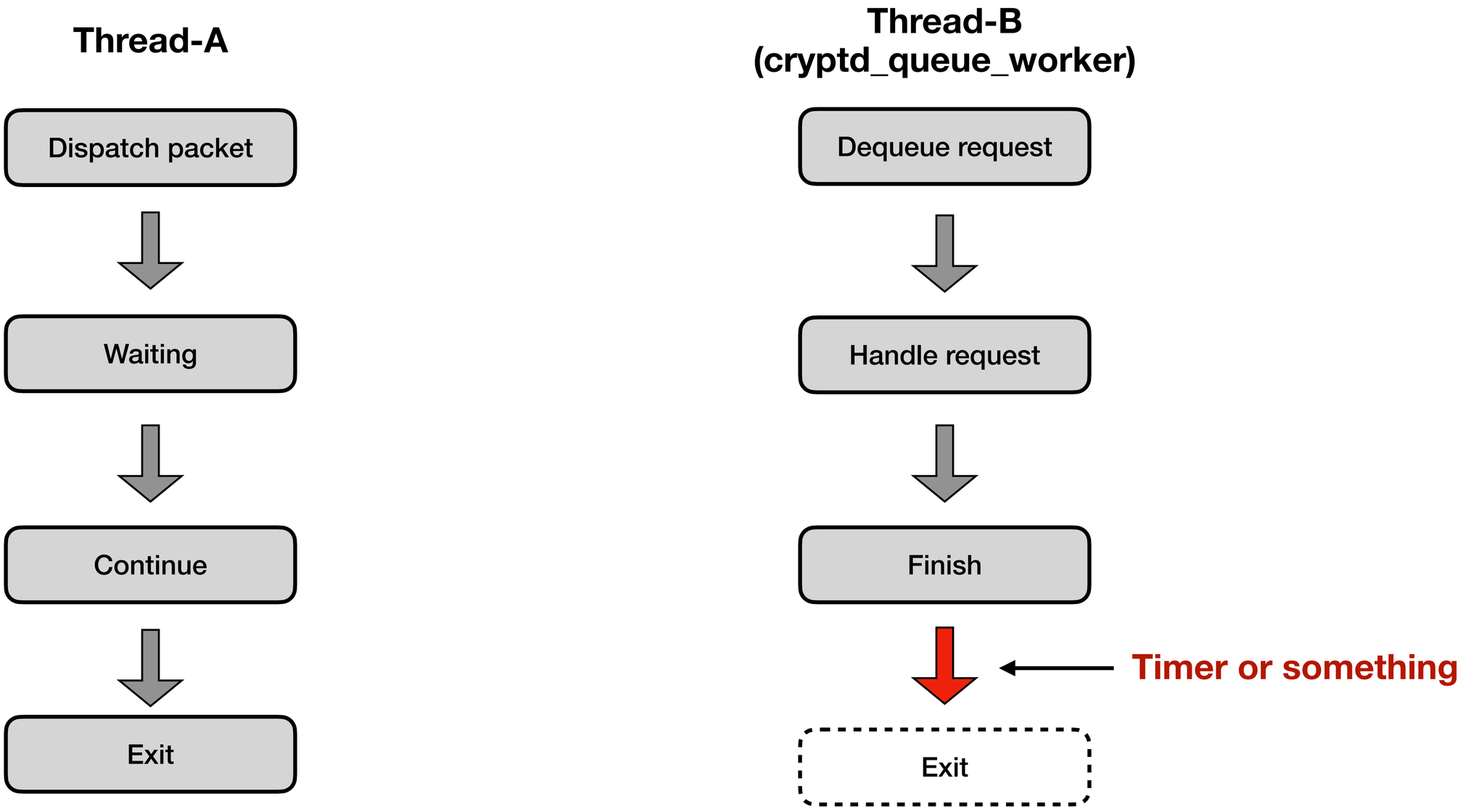

Thread-A
Dispatch packet
Waiting
Continue
Thread-B
(cryptd_queue_worker)
Dequeue request
Handle request
Finish
Exit

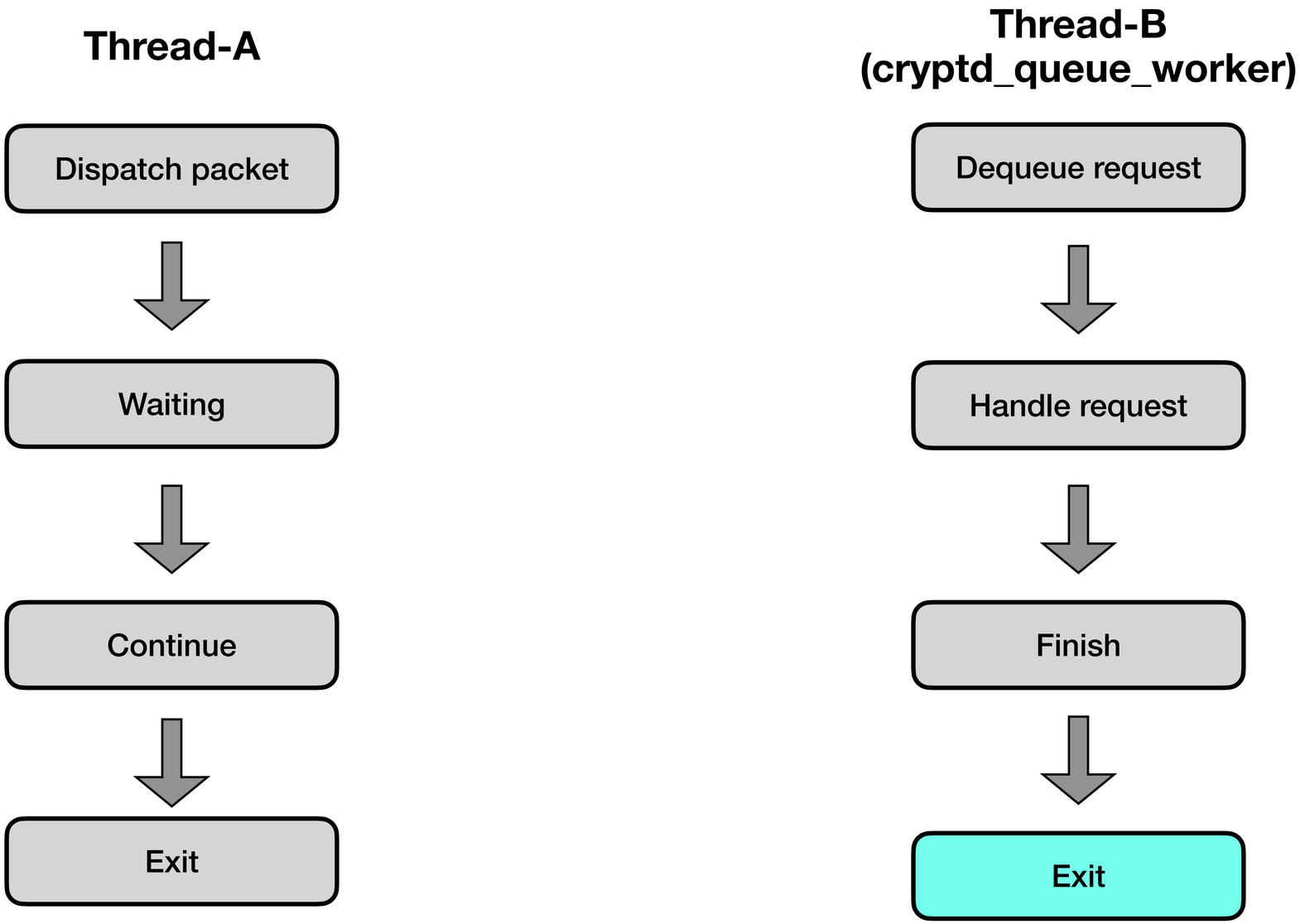

Thread-A
Thread-B
(cryptd_queue_worker)
Dispatch packet
Dequeue request
Waiting
Handle request
wait_for_completion()
complete()
Exit

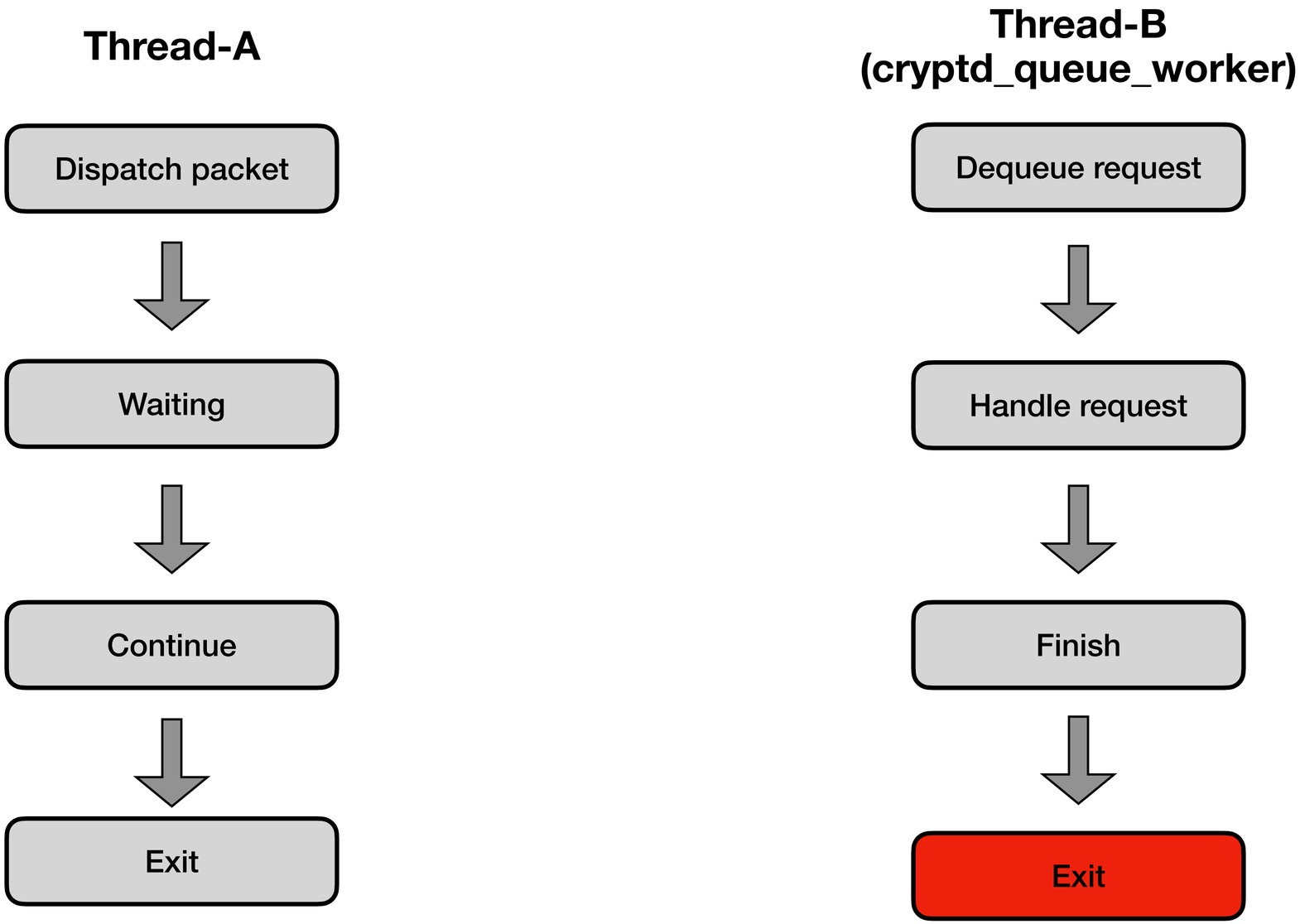

Thread-A
Dispatch packet
Waiting
Continue
Thread-B
(cryptd_queue_worker)
Dequeue request
Handle request
Finish
Timer or something
Exit


Thread-A
Dispatch packet
Waiting
Continue
Thread-B
(cryptd_queue_worker)
Dequeue request
Handle request
Finish
Timer or something
Exit


Thread-A
Dispatch packet
Waiting
Continue
Exit
Free TX/RX context …
Thread-B
(cryptd_queue_worker)
Dequeue request
Handle request
Finish
Timer or something
Exit


Thread-A
Dispatch packet
Waiting
Continue
Exit
Thread-B
(cryptd_queue_worker)
Dequeue request
Handle request
Finish
Timer or something
Exit


Thread-A
Dispatch packet
Waiting
Continue
Exit
Thread-B
(cryptd_queue_worker)
Dequeue request
Handle request
Finish
Exit



UAF when accessing TX/RX context object