



# Differential Fault Analysis on Lightweight Blockciphers with Statistical Cryptanalysis Techniques

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#### **Outlines**

- Fault Analysis Review and General Principple
- PRESENT and PRINTcipher Specification
- Attack Setup and Details
- Simulation Result
- Conclusion





# Fault Analysis

- Fault Analysis was proposed and developed by
  - D. Boneh, R. DeMillo, and R. Lipton, "On the importance of checking cryptographic protocols for faults"
  - E. Biham and A. Shamir, "Differential fault analysis of secret key cryptosystems," CRYPTO'97.
  - et al
- Using some pairs of correct and faulty ciphertexts to recover the secret key

# よ海交通大学 General DFA Principles

- Guess and determine
- An equation or equations involve correct and faulty ciphertexts and partial round keys

$$f(C, C^*, rk) = Consts$$

- right key guess always passes the test
- Wrong key guesses fail with great probability
  - Correctness



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- Combining divide and conquer
- Each equation involves partial round keys within exhaustive search

$$f(C, C^*, rk) = Consts$$

Efficiency



# New Challenges

#### Countermeasures

- More robust hardware to make the injection harder
- Compute the last few rounds twice and check the integrity

#### Research goal

- Less fault injections
- Earlier injection rounds
- More practical fault model

More sufficient

diffusion

There doesn't exist clear equations with required properties





# Our Attack Principles

#### Solutions

- Adjust considering the vaule of f (C, C\*, rk)
   to the distribution of f (C, C\*, rk)
- Distribution is a statistical concepts
  - More faults needed
- Methods to evaluate the similarity of distribution



#### **PRESENT**

a 31-round SPN block cipher with 64 bits block size and supports 80/128 bits key. (CHES 2007)

#### **Algorithm 1: PRESENT**

**Input**:  $u_1, K_1 - K_{32}$ 

Output:  $u_{32}$ 

**for** i = 1 to 31 do

addRoundKey $(u_i, K_i)$ 

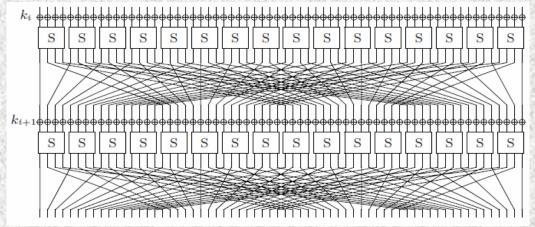
 $sBoxlayer(u_i)$ 

permutationLayer( $u_i$ )

end

 $addRoundKey(u_{32}, K_{32})$ 

return  $u_{32}$ 

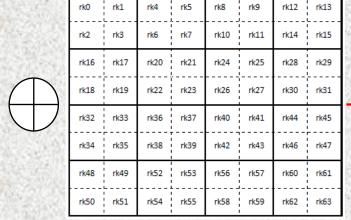






#### **PRESENT**

a0	a1	a4	a5	a8	a9	a12	a13
a2	a3	a6	a7	a10	a11	a14	a15
a16	a17	a20	a21	a24	a25	a28	a29
a18	a19	a22	a23	a26	a27	a30	a31
a32	a33	a36	a37	a40	a41	a44	a45
a34	a35	a38	a39	a42	a43	a46	a47
a48	a49	a52	a53	a56	a57	a60	a61
a50	a51	a54	a55	a58	a59	a62	a63



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	b0	b1	b4	b5	b8	b9	b12	b13
	b2	b3	b6	b7	b10	b11	b14	b15
	b16	b17	b20	b21	b24	b25	b28	b29
	b18	b19	b22	b23	b26	b27	b30	b31
	b32	b33	b36	b37	b40	b41	b44	b45
	b34	b35	b38	b39	b42	b43	b46	b47
	b48	b49	b52	b53	b56	b57	b60	b61
	b50	b51	b54	b55	b58	b59	b62	b63

#### Add RoundKey

c0

c4

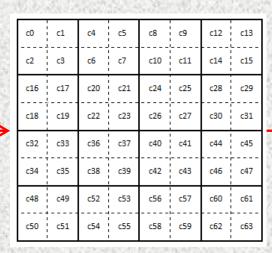
c16

c20

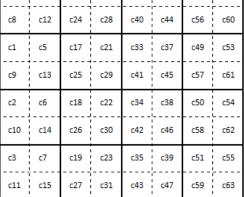
c32 | c36

c48

S-box



**Bit-Permutation** 







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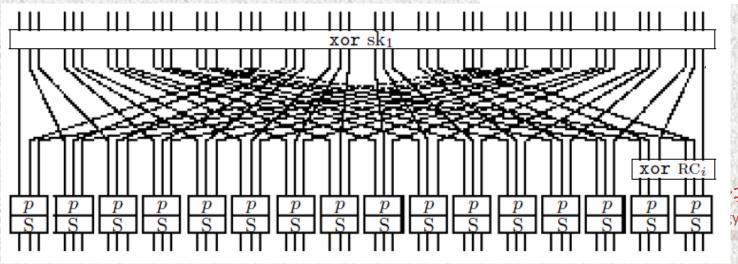
# PRINTcipher

a 48/96-round SPN block cipher with 48/96 bits block size and supports 80/160 bits key. (CHES 2010)

#### **Algorithm 2:** PRINTCIPHER

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Input: u_1, K_1 - Kr
Output: u_r
for i = 1 to r do

| addRoundKey(u_i, K_i)
| linearDiffusion(u_i)
| xorRoundCounter(u_i)
| keyedPermutation(u_i)
| sBoxlayer(u_i)
end
return u_r
```



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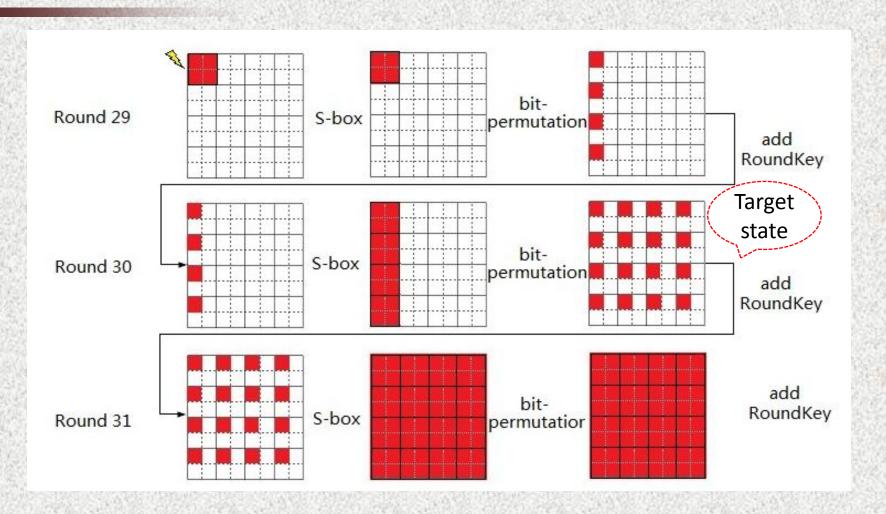


# **Previous Results**

	PRESENT-	80/PRESENT-128	
Round	Numbers	Complex	Fault model
r-1 <sup>th</sup>	40-50/-	2 <sup>16</sup> /-	1 nibble fault on encryption
30 <sup>th</sup> and 31 <sup>st</sup> round key	64/-	2 <sup>29</sup> /-	1 nibble fault on key schedule
r-2 <sup>th</sup>	8/16 2 <sup>14.7</sup> /2 <sup>21.1</sup>		1 nibble fault on encryption
	PRINTcipher	-48/PRINTcipher	-96
Round	Numbers	Complex	Fault model
r-2 <sup>th</sup>	12/24	2 <sup>13.7</sup> /2 <sup>22.8</sup>	1 nibble fault on encryption
r-3 <sup>th</sup>	-/8	-/2 <sup>18.7</sup>	1 nibble fault on encryption
	r-1 <sup>th</sup> 30 <sup>th</sup> and 31 <sup>st</sup> round key  r-2 <sup>th</sup> Round r-2 <sup>th</sup>	Round Numbers r-1 <sup>th</sup> 40-50/-  30 <sup>th</sup> and 31 <sup>st</sup> 64/- round key  8/16  PRINTcipher- Round Numbers r-2 <sup>th</sup> 12/24	r-1 <sup>th</sup> 40-50/- 2 <sup>16</sup> /-  30 <sup>th</sup> and 31 <sup>st</sup> 64/- 2 <sup>29</sup> /- round key  r-2 <sup>th</sup> 8/16 2 <sup>14.7</sup> /2 <sup>21.1</sup> PRINTcipher-48/PRINTcipher- Round Numbers Complex r-2 <sup>th</sup> 12/24 2 <sup>13.7</sup> /2 <sup>22.8</sup>

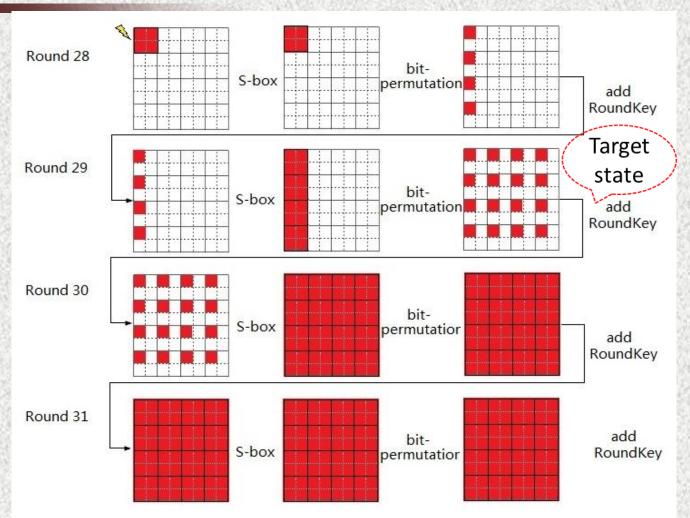


# 上海交通大学 Previous Fault Analysis









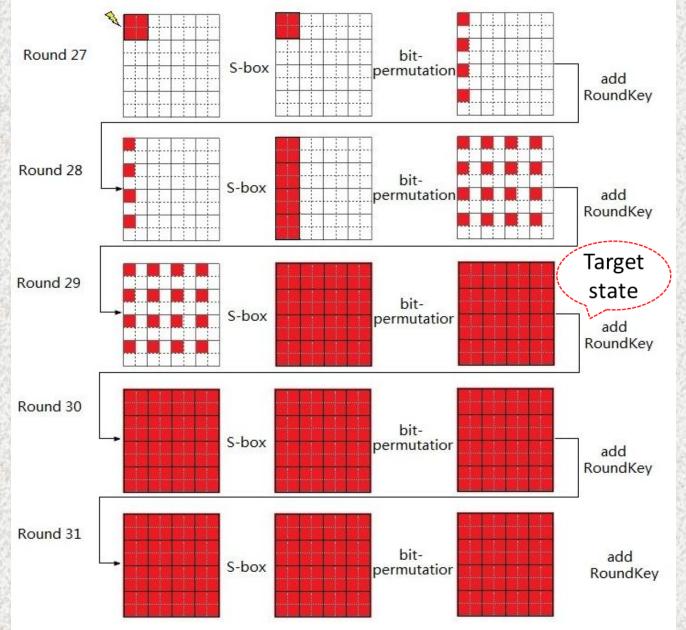
Earlier Round Fault Injection





Earlier
Earlier Round
Fault
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No exact relation in target state



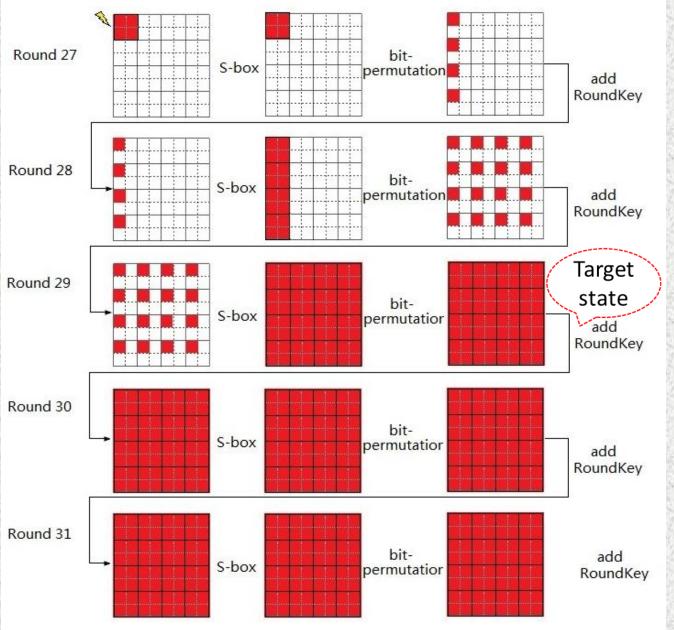


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In target state each bit has probability to be affected, but the probability is different.





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#### Single Random S-box Fault Model

- Only one S-box corrupted
- The faulty S-box and faulty value is unknown and uniformly distributed
- For ciphers considered 4-bit/3-bit fault

#### Multi S-boxes Fault Model

- Multiple S-boxes corrupted
- The faulty S-boxes and faulty values are unknown and uniformly distributed



- Collect correct and faulty ciphertext pairs
- For each group of key guess partial decrypt the ciphertext pairs to get the differences at target state
- Use distinguisher to eliminate the wrong keys till only one candidate left or the practical level
- Use key schedule to recover the master key



Build fault-based distinguisher

$$d(F(C, C^*, rk))$$
 is maximal or mimimal

- Due to the slow diffusion of bit-permutation and Wrong Key Randomization Hypothesis
- the difference distribution is non-uniform even on a subset of the penultimate or antepenultimate internal state
  - We focus on the difference for each S-box bits just before penultimate round



## Squared Euclidean Imbalance (SEI) distinguisher

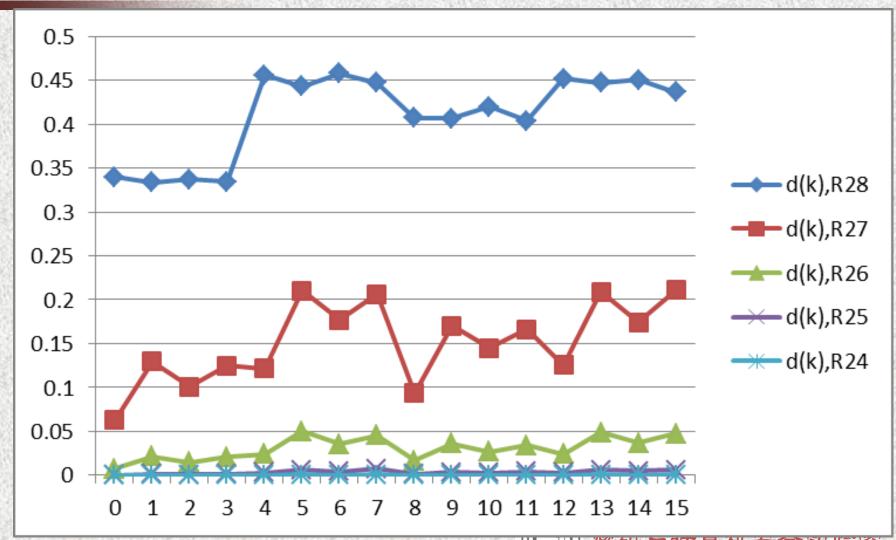
- Exact knowledge about the fault propagation and theoretical calculation of the distribution is hard
- Don't require exact distribution and simplicity consideration

$$d(k) = \sum_{\delta=0}^{2^{m}-1} \left( \frac{\#\{n; g_i(C_n, C^*, rk) = \delta\}}{N} - \frac{1}{2^m} \right)^2$$

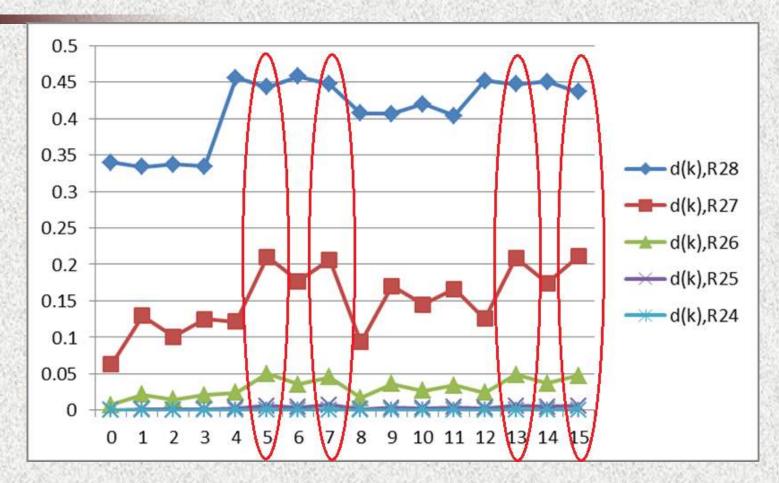


- Test 10 000 pairs of random ciphertext pairs and calculate their SEI as threshold
  - about 0.0001-0.0005
- Do fault injection simulation and calculate d(k) using SEI on each nibble before penultimate round
- Complete key recover simulation









\*Different fault model leads to different distribution





- Key recover simulation result
  - The correct key gives a significant high SEI value (about 0.006)
  - the average SEI is about 0.0001-0.0003 for wrong keys
  - The most significant is only about 0.0006 for wrong keys
- guess four group of each 16+4 sub-key bits
- The attack complexity is about  $4 \cdot 2^{16+4} \cdot 10000 \cdot 2 = 2^{36.3}$  partial decryption.



nibble(i)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$d(k), R_{28}$	0.1686	0.1542	0.1650	0.1538	0.2563	0.2434	0.2532	0.2409
$d(k), R_{27}$	0.0145	0.0333	0.0238	0.0334	0.0350	0.0743	0.0548	0.0691
$d(k), R_{26}$	0.0007	0.0024	0.0014	0.0024	0.0040	0.0105	0.0066	0.0103
$d(k), R_{25}$	0.0001	0.0002	0.0001	0.0002	0.0002	0.0010	0.0005	0.0008
nibble(i)	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
$d(k), R_{28}$	0.2224	0.1996	0.2171	0.2105	0.2553	0.2374	0.2433	0.2425
$d(k), R_{27}$	0.0232	0.0519	0.0407	0.0544	0.0371	0.0728	0.0549	0.0732
$d(k), R_{26}$	0.0023	0.0064	0.0031	0.0064	0.0042	0.0096	0.0054	0.0104
$d(k), R_{25}$	0.0003	0.0005	0.0004	0.0004	0.0003	0.0009	0.0005	0.0007

 $\label{eq:table_II} \mbox{Table II} \\ d(k) \mbox{ for PRESENT distinguisher: 2 s-boxes fault model}$ 





d(

## Simulation Result

		Fa	ult injec	tion befo	ore Roun	d 25-28				
nibble	e(i)	0	1	2	3	4	5 6	7		100
d(k)				'		-		'		
d(k)			F	Fault inj	ection b	efore Re	ound 26	-28		
d(k)	nib	ble(i)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
d(k)	d(k	$), R_{28}$	0.0879	0.0822	0.0806	0.0841	0.1480	0.1385	0.1416	0.1458
nibł	d(k	$), R_{27}$	0.0042	0.0121	0.0077	0.0110	0.0147	0.0316	0.0239	0.0315
$\frac{d(k)}{d(k)}$	d(k	$), R_{26}$	0.0001	0.0003	0.0002	0.0003	0.0008	0.0033	0.0015	0.0033
$\frac{d(k)}{d(k)}$	nib	ble(i)	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
$\frac{l(\kappa)}{l(k)}$	d(k	$), R_{28}$	0.1202	0.1146	0.1154	0.1179	0.1507	0.1411	0.1388	0.1415
(10)	d(k	$), R_{27}$	0.0092	0.0246	0.0138	0.0216	0.0149	0.0329	0.0226	0.0318
	d(k	$), R_{26}$	0.0007	0.0014	0.0006	0.0015	0.0008	0.0028	0.0016	0.0031

Table III d(k) for PRESENT distinguisher: 3 s-boxes fault model





		F										
nibble	e(i)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
d(k)												
d(k)		Fault injection before Round 26-28										
d(k)	nil	bble(i)	0 1 2 3 4 5				6	7	100			
d(k)	d(k	$(k), R_{\Sigma}$										
nibł	$d(k), R_2$ Fault injection before Round 26-28							-28				
d(k)	d(k	$(c), R_2$	nibble	e(i)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$\frac{d(k)}{d(k)}$	nil	bble(i	d(k), I	$R_{28}$	0.0506	0.0449	0.0444	0.0431	0.0958	0.0873	0.0857	0.0868
$\frac{d(k)}{d(k)}$	d(k	$(c), R_2$	d(k), I		0.0016	0.0049	0.0029	0.0045	0.0066	0.0172	0.0118	0.0159
$u(\kappa)$	d(k	$(r), R_2$	d(k), I	$R_{26}$	0.0001	0.0003	0.0002	0.0003	0.0003	0.0011	0.0007	0.0011
	d(k	$(c), R_2$	nibble	e(i)	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
d(			d(k), I		0.0749	0.0696	0.0698	0.0684	0.0959	0.0839	0.0842	0.0885
STATUE			d(k), I		0.0040	0.0105	0.0070	0.0107	0.0062	0.0160	0.0107	0.0172
	d	l(k) F	d(k), I	$R_{26}$	0.0002	0.0006	0.0004	0.0007	0.0002	0.0013	0.0006	0.0014

Table IV  $d(k) \ {\rm for} \ {\rm PRESENT} \ {\rm distinguisher} \colon 4 \ {\rm s\text{-}boxes} \ {\rm fault} \ {\rm model}$ 





#### **PRESENT Multi S-boxes Fault Attack**

Fault S-boxes Number	Valid Attack
	5 fault propagation + 2 partial decryption
2	4 fault propagation + 2 partial decryption
3	3 fault propagation + 2 partial decryption
4	2 fault propagation + 2 partial decryption





- Attack against PRINTcipher-48
  - almost the same as the process against PRESENT
- Differences
  - PRINTcipher uses the key-dependent permutation
- Not make attack more complex
  - the distribution keeps biased on each S-box even with 4 different secret permutation



nibble(i)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$d(k), R_{43}$	0.2767	0.2819	0.2830	0.2746	0.2777	0.2706	0.2772	0.2759
$d(k), R_{42}$	0.1049	0.1083	0.1086	0.0966	0.0944	0.1035	0.1041	0.1013
$d(k), R_{41}$	0.0273	0.0314	0.0286	0.0253	0.0265	0.0256	0.0277	0.0237
$d(k), R_{40}$	0.0072	0.0049	0.0051	0.0061	0.0053	0.0052	0.0053	0.0041
$d(k), R_{39}$	0.0008	0.0012	0.0011	0.0006	0.0007	0.0011	0.0008	0.0010
nibble(i)	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
$d(k), R_{43}$	0.2738	0.2658	0.2680	0.2835	0.2661	0.2734	0.2777	0.2723
$d(k), R_{42}$	0.0987	0.0957	0.1045	0.1091	0.0946	0.0985	0.1041	0.1027
$d(k), R_{41}$	0.0261	0.0257	0.0251	0.0267	0.0257	0.0247	0.0264	0.0268
$d(k), R_{40}$	0.0046	0.0058	0.0055	0.0051	0.0049	0.0051	0.0045	0.0060
$d(k), R_{39}$	0.0008	0.0009	0.0005	0.0008	0.0009	0.0010	0.0008	0.0009

Table V  $d(k) \ {\rm FOR} \ {\rm PRINTCIPHER} \ {\rm DISTINGUISHER} \colon {\rm SINGLE} \ {\rm S-BOX} \ {\rm FAULT} \ \ {\rm MODEL}$ 





d(k

# Simulation Result

	Fau	lt injection	n before	Round 3	39-43				
nibble	(i) 0	1 2	2 3	4	5	6	7		
$\frac{d(k)}{d(k)}$		F	ault inje	ection b	efore Ro	ound 43	-40		
$\frac{d(k)}{d(k)}$	nibble(i)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
d(k),	$d(k), R_{43}$	0.1094	0.0909	0.1014	0.1019	0.1005	0.0992	0.0984	0.1026
d(k),	$d(k), R_{42}$	0.0261	0.0279	0.0246	0.0233	0.0221	0.0220	0.0221	0.0217
nibb	$d(k), R_{41}$	0.0045	0.0031	0.0040	0.0030	0.0028	0.0028	0.0034	0.0033
d(k),	$d(k), R_{40}$	0.0003	0.0007	0.0003	0.0004	0.0009	0.0004	0.0004	0.0004
$\frac{d(k)}{d(k)}$	nibble(i)	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
$\frac{d(\kappa)}{d(k)}$ ,	$d(k), R_{43}$	0.0990	0.1030	0.1044	0.1093	0.1022	0.1034	0.0942	0.0912
$\frac{d(k)}{d(k)}$ ,	$d(k), R_{42}$	0.0194	0.0190	0.0208	0.0222	0.0227	0.0215	0.0225	0.0233
	$d(k), R_{41}$	0.0041	0.0030	0.0026	0.0039	0.0028	0.0032	0.0029	0.0024
	$d(k), R_{40}$	0.0006	0.0005	0.0002	0.0004	0.0003	0.0005	0.0005	0.0004

Table VI  $d(k) \ {\it for PRINTCIPHER \ distinguisher: 2 \ s-boxes \ fault \ model}$ 





	Fau	ılt injectio	n before	Round	1 39-43						
nibble	(i) 0	1 2	2 3	3	4 5	6	7	17.00			
$\frac{d(k),}{d(k),}$		Fault injection before Round 43-40									
$\frac{d(k)}{d(k)}$	nibble(i)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
d(k),	$d(k), R_{43}$	0.1001	0.0000	0.1014	0.101	0 100	0.000	2 0.000	4 0 103	10000	
d(k),	$d(k), R_{42}$		Fault injection before Round 43-41								
nibb	$d(k), R_{41}$	nibble	e(i)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
d(k),	$d(k), R_{40}$	d(k), I	R43	0.0443	0.0405	0.0422	0.0453	0.0426	0.0438	0.0405	0.0403
d(k),	nibble(i)	d(k), I	R <sub>42</sub>	0.0064	0.0069	0.0068	0.0047	0.0049	0.0066	0.0060	0.0059
d(k),	$d(k), R_{43}$	d(k), I	R41	0.0007	0.0005	0.0009	0.0009	0.0008	0.0010	0.0008	0.0007
$\frac{d(k),}{d(k),}$	$d(k), R_{42}$	nibble	e(i)	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
a(n),	$d(k), R_{41}$	d(k), I	R <sub>43</sub>	0.0405	0.0383	0.0400	0.0429	0.0366	0.0402	0.0370	0.0334
8	$d(k), R_{40}$	d(k), I	R <sub>42</sub>	0.0066	0.0055	0.0052	0.0052	0.0066	0.0052	0.0059	0.0058
d(k		d(k), I	R <sub>41</sub>	0.0008	0.0008	0.0006	0.0006	0.0007	0.0005	0.0005	0.0007

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Table VII

d(k) for PRINTCIPHER distinguisher: 3 s-boxes fault model





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Fault S-boxes Number	Valid Attack							
1	7 fault propagation + 2 partial decryption							
2	6 fault propagation + 2 partial decryption							
3	5 fault propagation + 2 partial decryption							

The attack complexity is about  $5 \cdot 2^{25} \cdot 2^{11} \cdot 2 = 2^{39}$  partial decryption





#### Conclusion

- Differential Fault Analysis with Statistical Cryptanalysis Techniques
- Used in the lightweight block cipher with bitpermutation
- Threaten the middle rounds of the ciphers
- Useful to Multi S-boxes Fault Model
- simulation source code at https://bitbucket.org/RomanGol/faultattack





# Questions?

Thank You!





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