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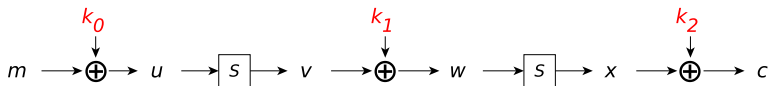
CRYPTOGRAPHY

Lecture 7

More on Differential Cryptanalysis

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Group	Time of Submission	Cipher Claimed
SPL Encrypted	August 12, 10:28 PM	Scytale cipher
Cryptoducks	August 12, 10:29 PM	Bacon's cipher
C14	August 12, 10:29 PM	Pigpen cipher
Hope we "3" SDVV	August 12, 10:30 PM	Playfair cipher
..././cipher	August 12, 10:31 PM	Mary Queen of Scots cipher
Ping 999+	August 12, 10:31 PM	Book cipher
rook	August 12, 10:32 PM	Dancing Man cipher
Kryptonian	August 12, 10:34 PM	Autokey cipher
Cipherbytes	August 12, 10:35 PM	Route cipher
TechHeist 3.0	August 12, 10:36 PM	Aryabhatta cipher
Brain fog	August 12, 10:37 PM	Polybius cipher
Bit by Bit	August 12, 10:41 PM	Secret Mahattan Project cipher
Cryptech	August 12, 10:52 PM	Four-Square cipher
Decryptor	August 12, 10:55 PM	Atbash cipher
BitBees	August 12, 11:18 PM	Sigaba cipher
gugu gaga	August 13, 12:21 AM	VIC cipher
SHA69	August 13, 12:53 AM	Alphabet cipher
Hex Brains	August 13, 12:05 PM	Straddle Checkerboard cipher
Bash ciphers	August 13, 12:06 PM	ADFGVX cipher
Cult Kryptos	August 13, 12:19 PM	Zodiac cipher
Three Amigos	August 15, 9:41 PM	Vigenere cipher

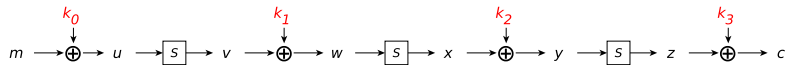


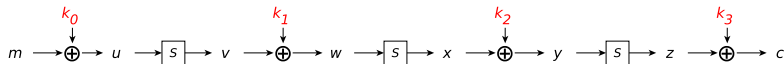
- ▶ Initialize counters $T_i = 0$, one for each possible key k_2 .
 - ▶ For each message/ciphertext pair do
 - ▶ For each guess i for k_2 do
 - ▶ Compute $v'_0 \oplus v'_1$
 - ▶ If $v'_0 \oplus v'_1 = d$ increase counter T_i
 - ▶ Assume that the right key k_2 corresponds to the highest counter.
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- ▶ What about the complexity of recovering each k_i

u_0	$u_1 = u_0 \oplus f$	$v_0 = S[u_0]$	$v_1 = S[u_1]$	$v_0 \oplus v_1$
0	f	6	b	d
1	e	4	9	d
2	d	c	a	6
3	c	5	8	d
4	b	0	d	d
5	a	7	3	4
6	9	2	f	d
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b	-	-	-	2	2	-	2	2	2	-	-	4	-	-	2	-
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d	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	6	2	-	4
e	-	2	-	4	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	6
f	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	2

Recall the interpretation

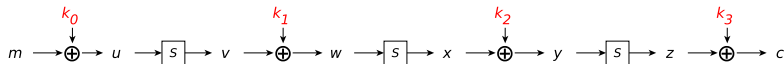




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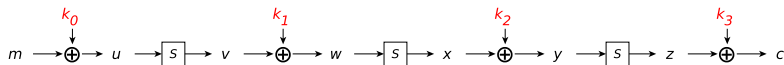


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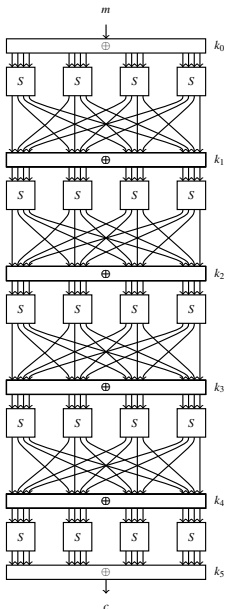
Characteristics are independent



$$\Pr\left[f \xrightarrow{S} d \xrightarrow{S} c\right] = \frac{10}{16} \times \frac{6}{16} = \frac{15}{64}$$

Any Guess about Sypher004


What does it look like?

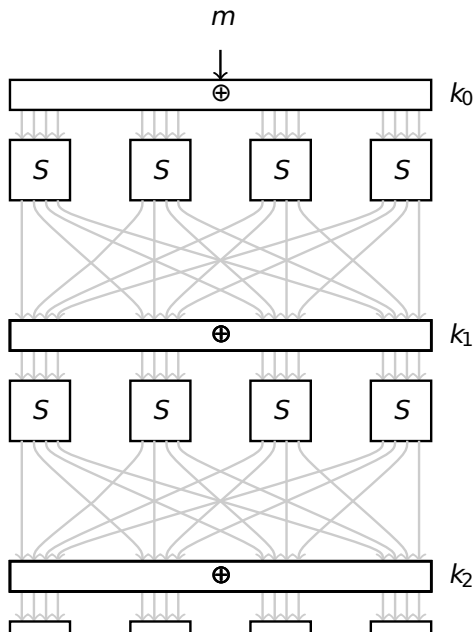


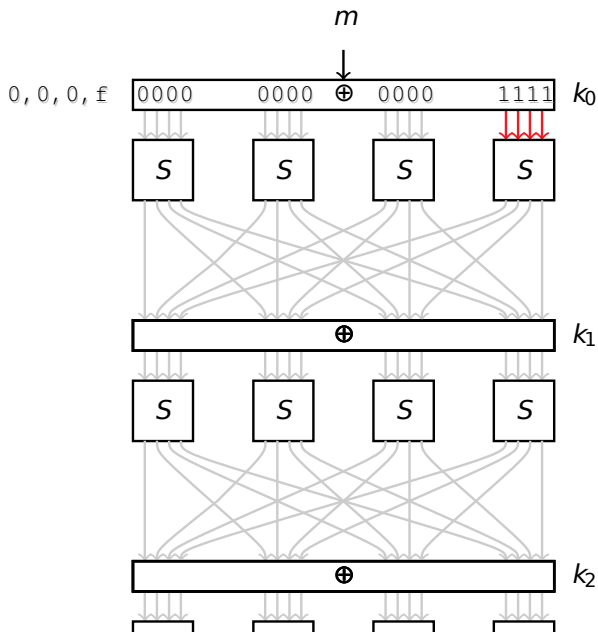
- ▶ Till now there was no **permutation** layer
- ▶ So we did not have to consider its effect

Notion of **Active** Sboxes

Note

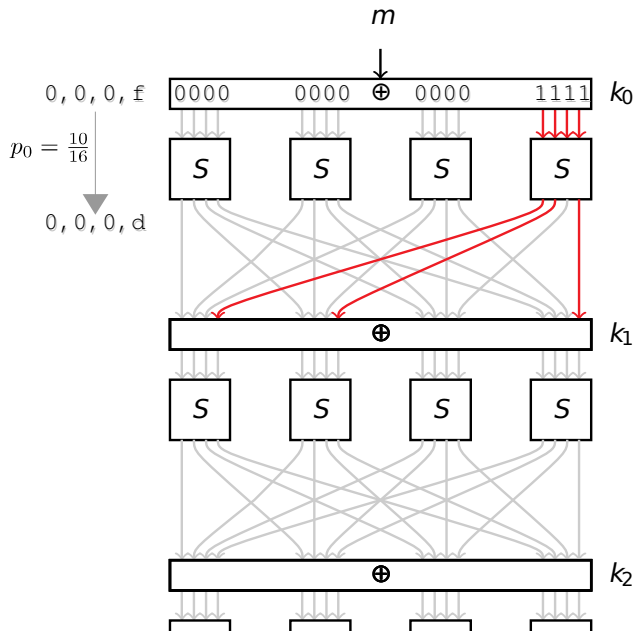
No permutation in last round.
Why? 

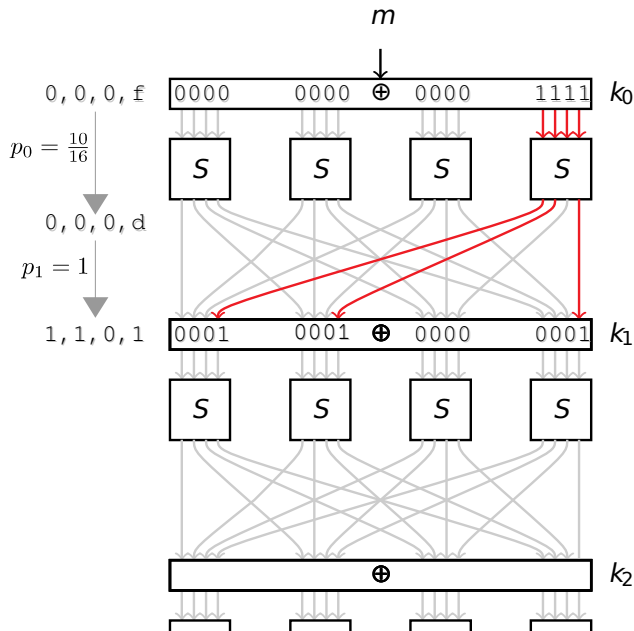




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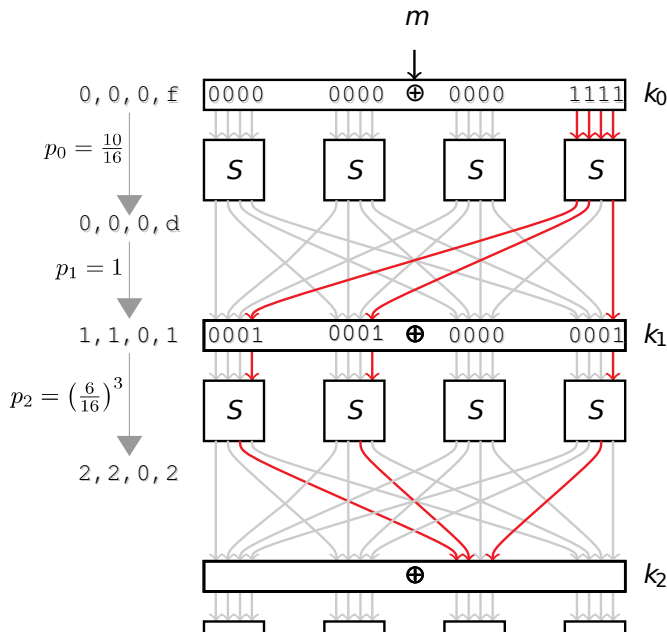
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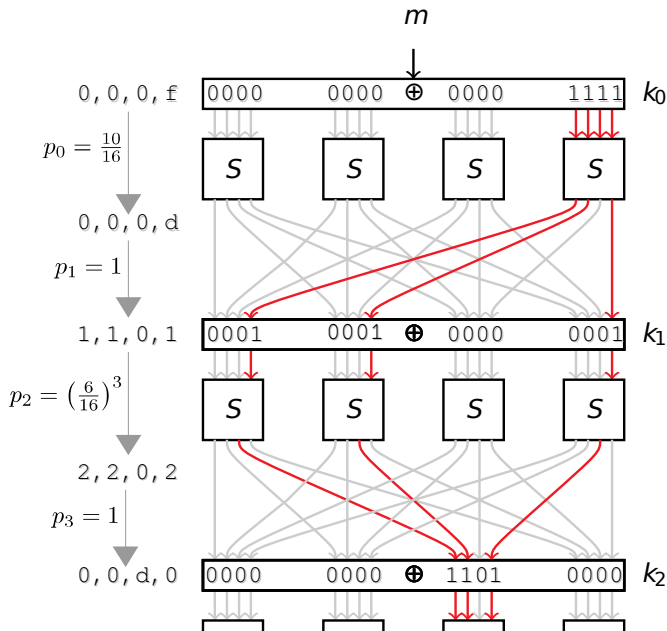
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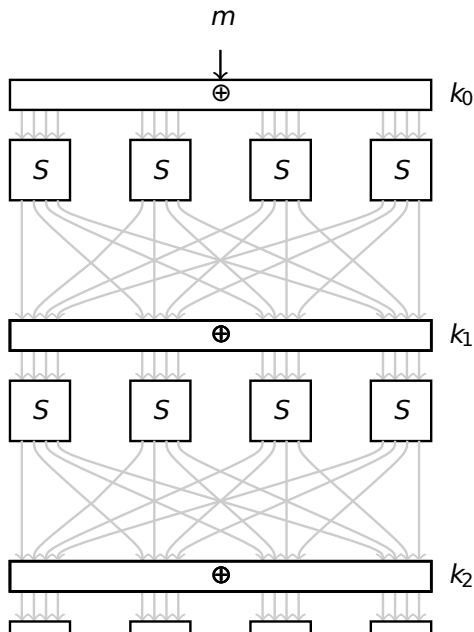
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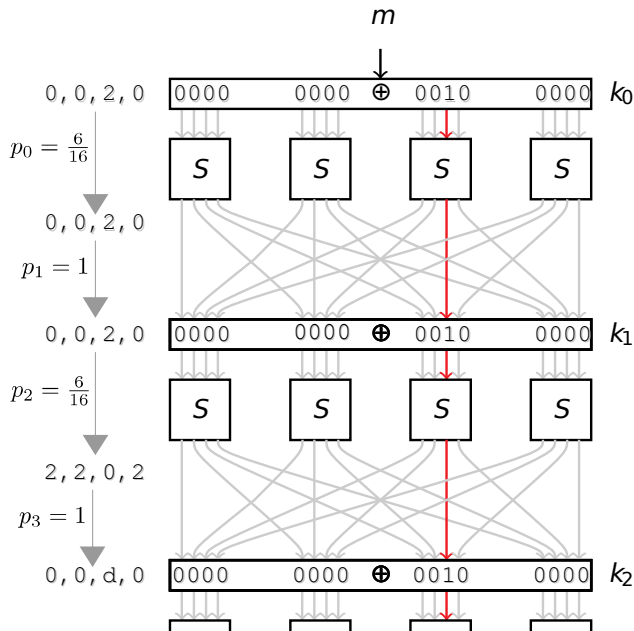
Let Us take A Non-Greedy Approach

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b	-	-	-	2	2	-	2	2	2	-	-	4	-	-	2	-
c	-	4	-	2	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	6	-
d	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	6	2	-	4
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Look at $2 \rightarrow 2$ transition

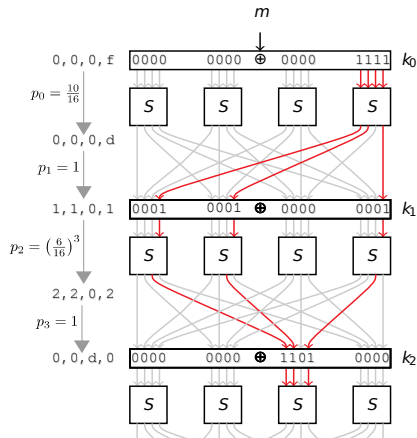
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Input Diff. $\rightarrow (0, 0, 2, 0)$

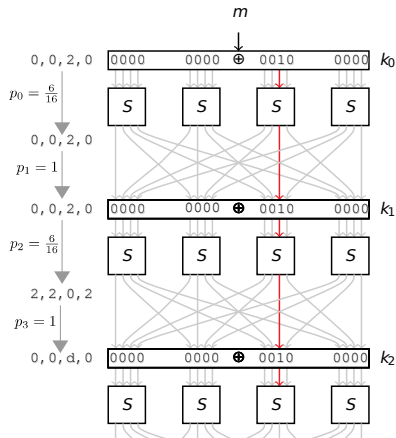


Greedy fails!!!

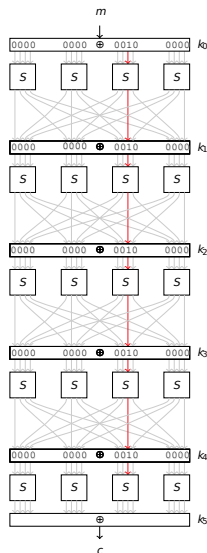
Putting things in perspective




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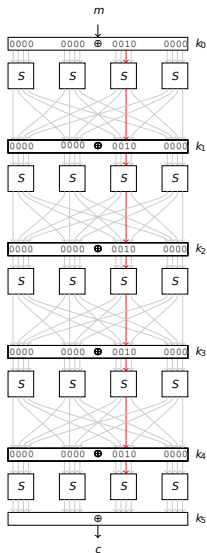
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- Get 4-round characteristic
- Find conforming message pairs 

Why 4-rounds ?

- Recall previous attacks
- Partial decryption (go backwards)
- Last round will be inverted by guessing (part of) k_5
- To verify expected difference as per 4-round characteristic



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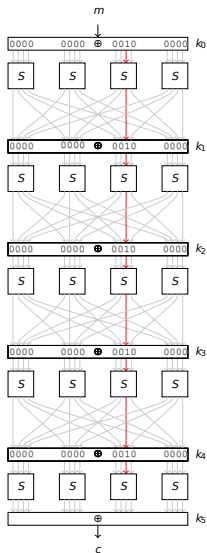
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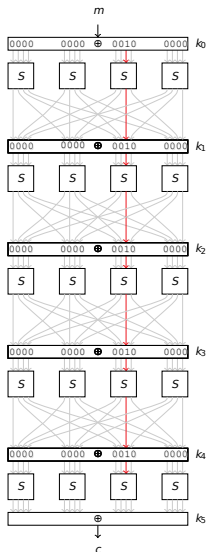
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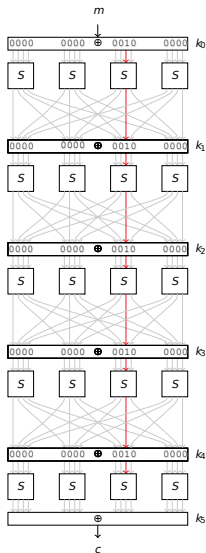
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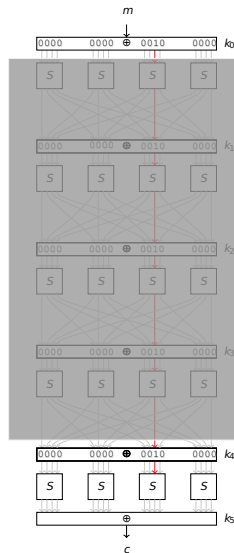
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Two optimization techniques

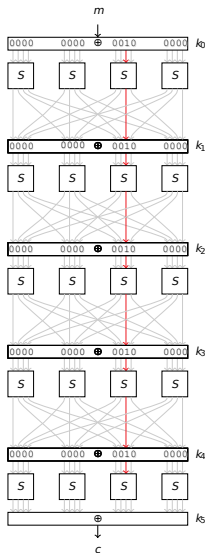
Differentials
Filtering



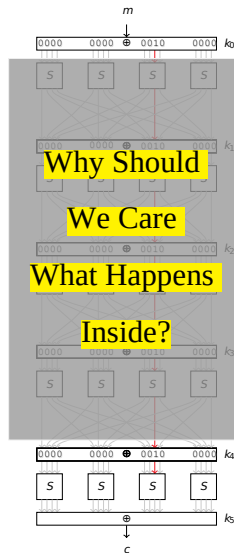
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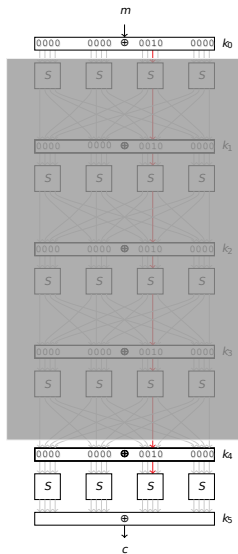
Example

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But it also contains at least three other possible characteristics. They are

$$\begin{aligned} &(0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,0,2) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,0,1) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,1,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0), \\ &(0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,0,2) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,1,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0), \text{ and} \\ &(0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,0,2) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,1,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0). \end{aligned}$$

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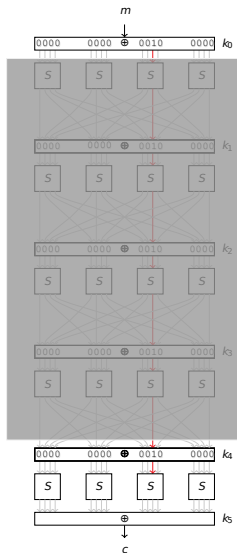
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Note transitions from $2 \rightarrow \{1, 2, 9, a\}$

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- ▶ Any other transition from 2 is impossible 
- ▶ Message pairs leading to ciphertext pairs giving differences other than $\{1, 2, 9, a\}$ in the third nibble can be discarded