

# **HIGh security and light weigHT**

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# Chapter 1

## HIGHT

### 1.1 Specification

Table 1.1: Specification Comparison between AES and HIGHT Block Ciphers

Specification	AES	HIGHT
Block Size (bits)	128	64
Key Size (bits)	128/192/256	128
Structure	Substitution-Permutation Network	Generalized Feistel Network (ARX - Add-Rotation-Xor)
Rounds	10/12/14 (depends on key size)	24/28/32 (depends on key size)
Design Year	1998	2013

Table 1.2: Parameters of the Block Cipher HIGHT

Algorithms	Block Size ( $N_b$ -byte)	Key Length ( $N_k$ -byte)	Number of Rounds ( $N_r$ )	Round-Key Length (byte)	Total Size of Round-Keys ( $(N_r * 192)$ -bit)
bit	16(4-word)	16(4-word)	24	24	4608 (144-word)
byte (8-bit)	16(4-word)	24(6-word)	28	24	5376 (168-word)
word (32-bit, 4-byte)	16(4-word)	32(8-word)	32	24	6144 (192-word)

### 1.2 State Representation

Let  $\text{state}[0], \text{state}[1], \dots$  be representation of arrays of bytes. Note that

$$\text{state}[i] := \{input_{8i}, input_{8i+1}, \dots, input_{8i+7}\} \in \mathbb{F}_{2^8}$$

for  $input_i \in \mathbb{F}_2$ . For example,  $\text{state}[0] = \{input_0, input_1, \dots, input_7\}$ .

The 128-bit plaintext  $P$  of LEA is represented as an array of four 32-bit words  $P[0], P[1], P[2]$  and  $P[3]$ . Then

$$P[i] = \text{state}[4i + 3] \parallel \text{state}[4i + 2] \parallel \text{state}[4i + 1] \parallel \text{state}[4i] \quad \text{for } 0 \leq i \leq 3.$$

Here,  $P[i] \in \mathbb{F}_{2^{32=8 \cdot 4}}$ . The key  $K$  of LEA is also represented as the same way.

Table 1.3: Representations for words, bytes, and bits

Input Bit Sequence	24	...	31	16	...	23	8	...	15	0	...	7
Word Number	0											
Byte Number	3			2			1			0		
Bit Numbers in Word	31	...										1

**Example 1.1.**

128-bit Input String	0x0f1e2d3c4b5a69788796a5b4c3d2e1f0											
Split into Words	0x0f1e2d3c			0x4b5a6978			0x8796a5b4			0xc3d2e1f0		
	P[0]			P[1]			P[2]			P[3]		
P[0] (Word)	0x0f1e2d3c											
P[0] (Bit)	0b 0000:1111:0001:1110:0010:1101:0011:1010											
Split into Bytes	0x0f			0x1e			0x2d			0x3c		
	state[3]			state[2]			state[1]			state[0]		
state[0] (Byte)	0x3c											
Split into Bits	1111:0000			-			-			-		
	24	...	31	16	...	23	8	...	15	0	...	7

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1 void stringToWordArray(const char* hexString, u32* wordArray) {
2     size_t length = strlen(hexString);
3     for (size_t i = 0; i < length; i += 8) {
4         sscanf(&hexString[i], "%8x", &wordArray[i / 8]);
5     }
6 }
7
8 const char* inputString = "0f1e2d3c4b5a69788796a5b4c3d2e1f0";
9 u32 key[4];
10 stringToWordArray(inputString, key);

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(gdb) x/16xb key
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0x7fffffffdd9c0: 0x3c  0x2d  0x1e  0x0f  0x78  0x69  0x5a  0x4b
0x7fffffffdd9c8: 0xb4  0xa5  0x96  0x87  0xf0  0xe1  0xd2  0xc3

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## 1.3 Key Schedule

$$\text{KeySchedule}_{128}^{\text{enc}} : \{0, 1\}^{128=32 \cdot 4} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{192 \cdot 24=4608=32 \cdot 144}$$

$$\text{KeySchedule}_{192}^{\text{enc}} : \{0, 1\}^{192=32 \cdot 6} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{192 \cdot 28=5376=32 \cdot 168}$$

$$\text{KeySchedule}_{256}^{\text{enc}} : \{0, 1\}^{256=32 \cdot 8} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{192 \cdot 32=6144=32 \cdot 192}$$

### 1.3.1 Round Constant

The constant  $\delta[i] \in \mathbb{F}_{2^{32}}$  ( $i \in \{1, \dots, 7\}$ ) is as follows:

$i$	$\delta[i]$	value
0	$\delta[0]$	0xc3efe9db
1	$\delta[1]$	0x44626b02
2	$\delta[2]$	0x79e27c8a
3	$\delta[3]$	0x78df30ec
4	$\delta[4]$	0x715ea49e
5	$\delta[5]$	0xc785da0a
6	$\delta[6]$	0xe04ef22a
7	$\delta[7]$	0xe5c40957

### 1.3.2 Rotation Function

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**Algorithm 1:** Rotation to Left and Right

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/* RotL :  $\{0, 1\}^{32} \times \{0, 1\}^{32} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{32}$  */
1 Function RotL(value, shift):
2   | return (value  $\ll$  shift) | (value  $\gg$  (32 – shift));
3 end

/* RotR :  $\{0, 1\}^{32} \times \{0, 1\}^{32} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{32}$  */
4 Function RotR(value, shift):
5   | return (value  $\gg$  shift) | (value  $\ll$  (32 – shift));
6 end

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### 1.3.3 Encryption Key Schedule of LEA-128

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**Algorithm 2:** Encryption Key Schedule (LEA-128)

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**Input:** User-key  $UK = UK[0] \parallel UK[1] \parallel UK[2] \parallel UK[3]$  ( $UK[i] \in \{0, 1\}^{32}$ )

**Output:** Encryption Round-keys  $\{RK_i^{\text{enc}}\}_{i=0}^{23}$  ( $RK_i^{\text{enc}} \in \{0, 1\}^{192}$ )

/\*  $UK \in \{0, 1\}^{128}$  is 16-byte and  $\{RK_i^{\text{enc}}\}_{i=0}^{23} \in \{0, 1\}^{4608}$  is 576-byte \*/

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1 for  $i = 0$  to 3 do
2   |  $T[i] = UK[i]$  //  $T = T[0] \parallel \dots \parallel T[3] \in \{0, 1\}^{128=32*4}$ 
3 end
4 for  $i = 0$  to 23 do
5   |  $T[0] \leftarrow \text{RotL}(T[0] \boxplus \text{RotL}(\delta[i \bmod 4], i + 0), 1)$  //  $T[i] \in \{0, 1\}^{32}$ 
6   |  $T[1] \leftarrow \text{RotL}(T[1] \boxplus \text{RotL}(\delta[i \bmod 4], i + 1), 3)$ 
7   |  $T[2] \leftarrow \text{RotL}(T[2] \boxplus \text{RotL}(\delta[i \bmod 4], i + 2), 6)$ 
8   |  $T[3] \leftarrow \text{RotL}(T[3] \boxplus \text{RotL}(\delta[i \bmod 4], i + 3), 11)$ 
9   |  $RK_i^{\text{enc}} \leftarrow T[0] \parallel T[1] \parallel T[2] \parallel T[1] \parallel T[3] \parallel T[1]$  //  $RK_i^{\text{enc}} \in \{0, 1\}^{196=32*6}$ 
10 end
11 return  $\{RK_i^{\text{enc}}\}_{i=0}^{23}$ 

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### 1.3.4 Decryption Key Schedule of LEA-128

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**Algorithm 3:** Decryption Key Schedule (LEA-128)

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**Input:** User-key  $UK = UK[0] \parallel UK[1] \parallel UK[2] \parallel UK[3]$  ( $UK[i] \in \{0, 1\}^{32}$ )

**Output:** Decryption Round-keys  $\{RK_i^{\text{dec}}\}_{i=0}^{23}$  ( $RK_i^{\text{dec}} \in \{0, 1\}^{192}$ )

*/\*  $UK \in \{0, 1\}^{128}$  is 16-byte and  $\{RK_i^{\text{dec}}\}_{i=0}^{23} \in \{0, 1\}^{4608}$  is 576-byte \*/*

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1 for  $i = 0$  to 3 do
2    $T[i] = UK[i]$                                 //  $T = T[0] \parallel \dots \parallel T[3] \in \{0, 1\}^{128=32*4}$ 
3 end
4 for  $i = 0$  to 23 do
5    $T[0] \leftarrow \text{RotL}(T[0] \boxplus \text{RotL}(\delta[i \bmod 4], i + 0), 1)$                                 //  $T[i] \in \{0, 1\}^{32}$ 
6    $T[1] \leftarrow \text{RotL}(T[1] \boxplus \text{RotL}(\delta[i \bmod 4], i + 1), 3)$ 
7    $T[2] \leftarrow \text{RotL}(T[2] \boxplus \text{RotL}(\delta[i \bmod 4], i + 2), 6)$ 
8    $T[3] \leftarrow \text{RotL}(T[3] \boxplus \text{RotL}(\delta[i \bmod 4], i + 3), 11)$ 
9    $RK_{23-i}^{\text{dec}} \leftarrow T[0] \parallel T[1] \parallel T[2] \parallel T[1] \parallel T[3] \parallel T[1]$                                 //  $RK_i^{\text{dec}} \in \{0, 1\}^{196=32*6}$ 
10 end
11 return  $\{RK_i^{\text{dec}}\}_{i=0}^{23}$ 

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## 1.4 Encryption of LEA-128

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**Algorithm 4:** Encryption of LEA-128
 

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**Input:** block  $\text{src} = \text{src}[0] \parallel \text{src}[1] \parallel \text{src}[2] \parallel \text{src}[3] \in \{0, 1\}^{128=32 \times 4}$  and  $\{\text{RK}_i^{\text{enc}}\}_{i=0}^{N_r-1=23}$

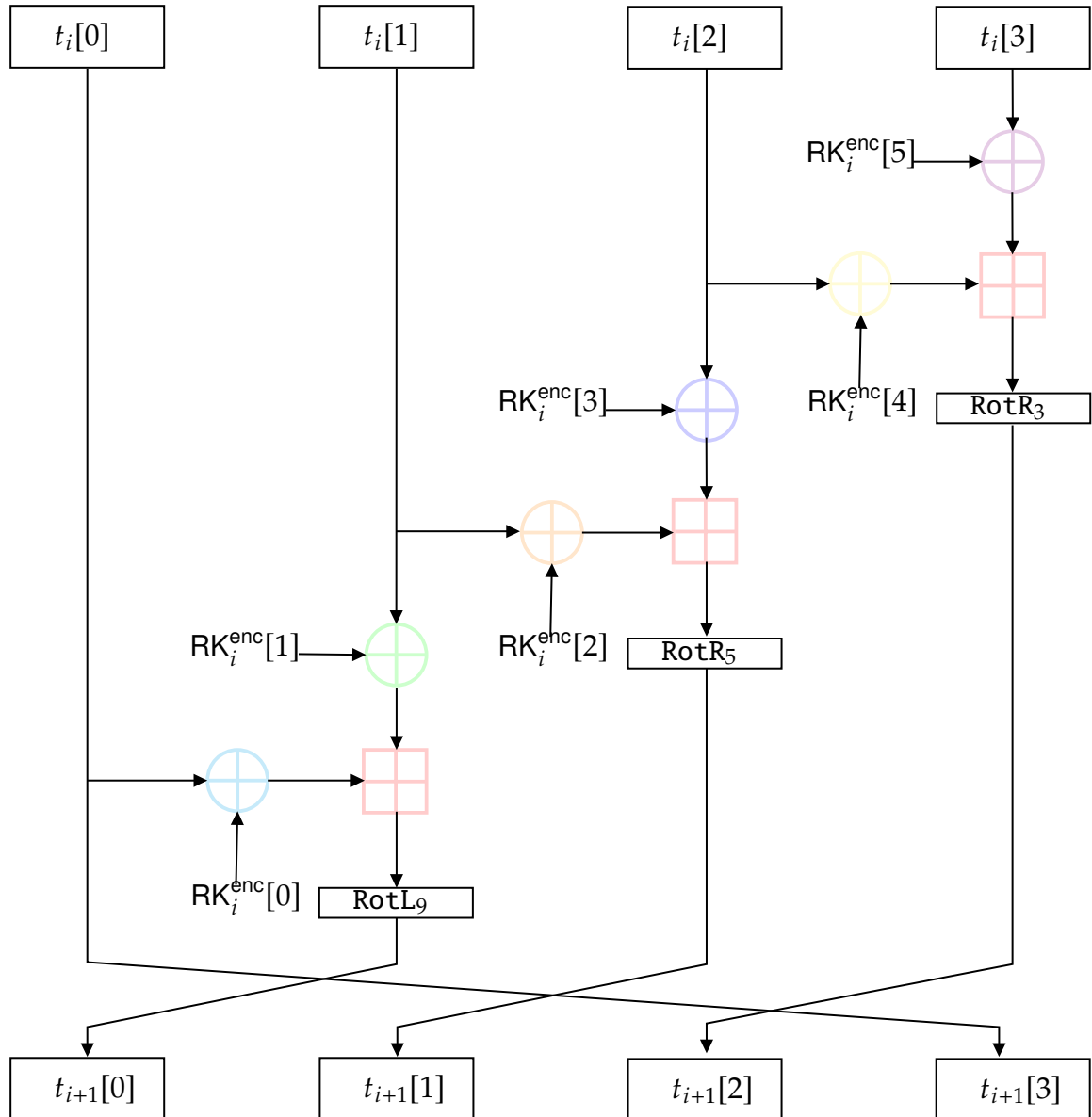
**Output:** block  $\text{dst} = \text{dst}[0] \parallel \text{dst}[1] \parallel \text{dst}[2] \parallel \text{dst}[3] \in \{0, 1\}^{128=32 \times 4}$

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1  $t_0 = t[0] \parallel t[1] \parallel t[2] \parallel t[3] \leftarrow \text{src}$ 
2 for  $i = 0$  to 23 do
3    $\text{tmp} \leftarrow t[0]$ 
4    $t_{i+1}[0] \leftarrow \text{RotL}(t_i[0] \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{enc}}[0] \boxplus (t_i[1] \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{enc}}[1]), 9)$ 
5    $t_{i+1}[1] \leftarrow \text{RotR}(t_i[1] \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{enc}}[2] \boxplus (t_i[2] \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{enc}}[3]), 5)$ 
6    $t_{i+1}[2] \leftarrow \text{RotR}(t_i[2] \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{enc}}[4] \boxplus (t_i[3] \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{enc}}[5]), 3)$ 
7    $t_{i+1}[3] \leftarrow \text{tmp}$ 
8 end
9 return  $\text{dst} \leftarrow t_{N_r}$ 

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## 1.5 Decryption of LEA-128

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### Algorithm 5: Encryption of LEA-128

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**Input:** block  $\text{src} = \text{src}[0] \parallel \text{src}[1] \parallel \text{src}[2] \parallel \text{src}[3] \in \{0, 1\}^{128=32*4}$  and  $\{\text{RK}_i^{\text{enc}}\}_{i=0}^{N_r-1=23}$

**Output:** block  $\text{dst} = \text{dsc}[0] \parallel \text{dsc}[1] \parallel \text{dsc}[2] \parallel \text{dsc}[3] \in \{0, 1\}^{128=32*4}$

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1  $t_0 = t[0] \parallel t[1] \parallel t[2] \parallel t[3] \leftarrow \text{src}$ 
2 for  $i = 0$  to  $23$  do
3    $\text{tmp} \leftarrow t[0]$ 
4    $t_{i+1}[0] \leftarrow \text{RotL}(t_i[0] \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{enc}}[0] \boxplus (t_i[1] \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{enc}}[1]), 9)$ 
5    $t_{i+1}[1] \leftarrow \text{RotR}(t_i[1] \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{enc}}[2] \boxplus (t_i[2] \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{enc}}[3]), 5)$ 
6    $t_{i+1}[2] \leftarrow \text{RotR}(t_i[2] \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{enc}}[4] \boxplus (t_i[3] \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{enc}}[5]), 3)$ 
7    $t_{i+1}[3] \leftarrow \text{tmp}$ 
8 end
9 return  $\text{dst} \leftarrow t_{N_r}$ 

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### Algorithm 6: Decryption of LEA-128

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**Input:** block  $\text{src} \in \{0, 1\}^{128=8*16}$ , decryption round-keys  $\{\text{RK}_i^{\text{dec}}\}_{i=0}^{N_r-1=23}$

**Output:** block  $\text{dst} \in \{0, 1\}^{128=8*16}$

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1  $t_0 \leftarrow \text{src}$ 
2 for  $i = 0$  to  $N_r - 1$  do
3    $t_{i+1}[0] \leftarrow t_i[3]$ 
4    $t_{i+1}[1] \leftarrow (\text{RotR}(t_i[0], 9) \boxminus (t_{i+1}[0] \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{dec}}[0])) \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{dec}}[1]$ 
5    $t_{i+1}[2] \leftarrow (\text{RotL}(t_i[1], 5) \boxminus (t_{i+1}[1] \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{dec}}[2])) \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{dec}}[3]$ 
6    $t_{i+1}[3] \leftarrow (\text{RotL}(t_i[2], 3) \boxminus (t_{i+1}[2] \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{dec}}[4])) \oplus \text{RK}_i^{\text{dec}}[5]$ 
7 end
8 return  $\text{dst} \leftarrow t_{N_r}$ 

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# **Appendix A**

## **Additional Data A**

### **A.1 Substitution-BOX**