

# Report MitM[3]

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## 1) Attack:

The attack I've implemented is a partial meet in the middle attack, I found that a change in nibbles: 1,2,3, 5,6,7,8,9,10,11,13 of the key doesn't change the 4th nibble of the ciphertext after 3 rounds of TC02 encryption, and that a change in nibbles: 0,1,2,3,4,6,7,10,11 of the key doesn't change the 4th nibble of the plaintext after 5 rounds of TC02 decryption. The attack is an  $O(2^{28} + 2^{20} + 2^{32})$  time attack,  $O(2^{20})$  space, and  $O(2^{16})$  data.

## 2) Optimizations/data structures:

In my implementation I combined the MC and SR in the round function, and moved all the implementation into a cell representation. Also, I used a lot of loop unrolling, and took advantage of the fact that  $2^x$  can be calculated faster with  $\&(2^x - 1)$ .

I used a hash map to store the results of the forward stage(see `std::unordered_multimap` for more information).

## 3) Building the program:

Run make in the folder (see the Makefile for more information).

## 4) Problems:

I did not encounter any problems during the solution(only thing was that I first ignored the key scheduler so it didn't work)

## 5) Extra:

a) I solved both the 7 rounds and the 8 rounds of MiTM against TC02 (and with enough time I will be able to solve the 9 rounds with no problem).