

CLAASP

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CLAASP: a Cryptographic Library for the Automated Analysis of Symmetric Primitives

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Abstract. This paper introduces CLAASP, a Cryptographic Library for the Automated Analysis of Symmetric Primitives. The library is designed to be modular, extendable, easy to use, generic, efficient and *fully automated*. It is an extensive toolbox gathering state-of-the-art techniques aimed at simplifying the manual tasks of symmetric primitive designers and analysts. CLAASP is built on top of Sagemath and is open-source under the GPLv3 license.

The central input of CLAASP is the description of a cryptographic primitive as a list of connected components in the form of a directed acyclic graph. From this representation, the library can automatically: (1) generate the Python or C code of the primitive evaluation function, (2) execute a wide range of statistical and avalanche tests on the primitive, (3) generate SAT, SMT, CP and MILP models to search, for example, differential and linear trails, (4) measure algebraic properties of the primitive, (5) test neural-based distinguishers. We demonstrate that CLAASP can reproduce many of the results that were obtained in the literature and even produce new results.

In this work, we also present a comprehensive survey and comparison of other software libraries aiming at similar goals as CLAASP.

Keywords: Cryptographic library · Automated analysis · Symmetric primitives

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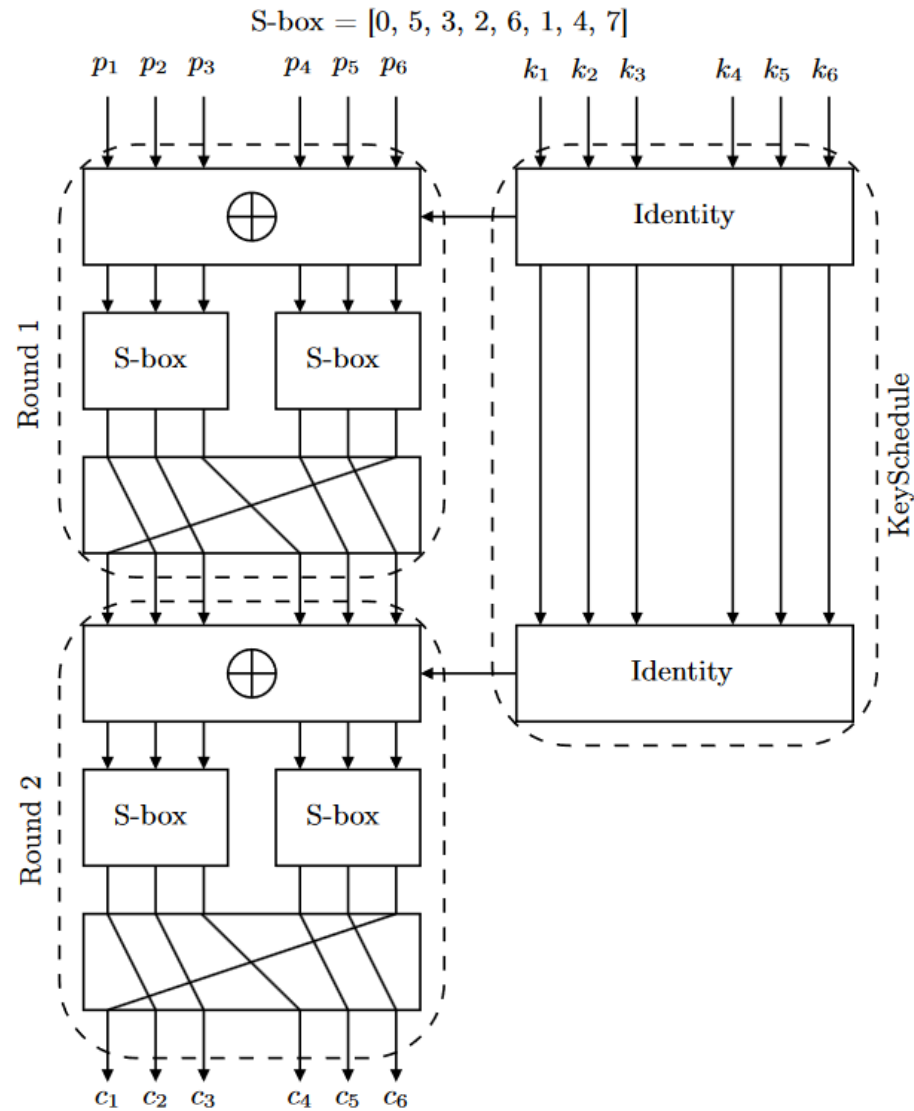
From this representation, the library can:

- generate the Python or C code of the encryption function,
- execute a wide range of statistical and avalanche tests on the primitive,
- automatically generate SAT, SMT, CP and MILP models to search, for example, differential and linear trails,
- measure algebraic properties of the cipher,
- test neural-based distinguishers.

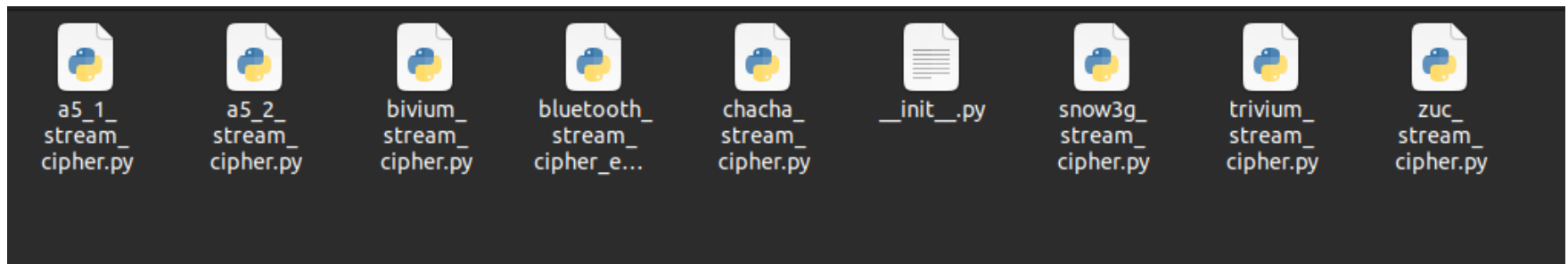
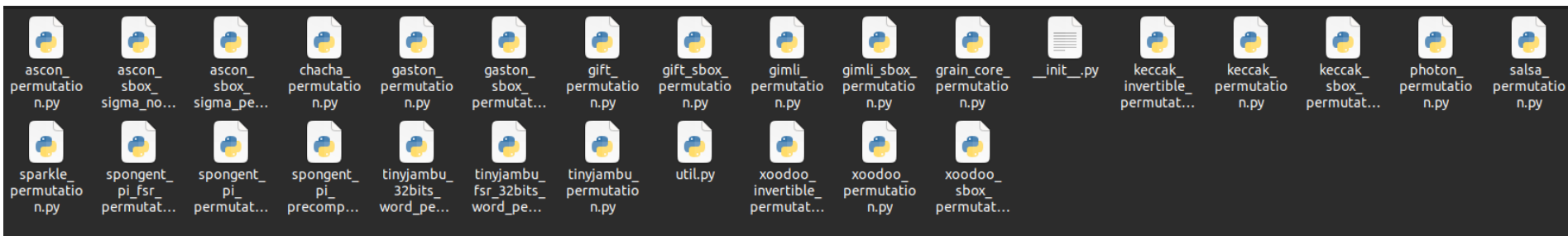
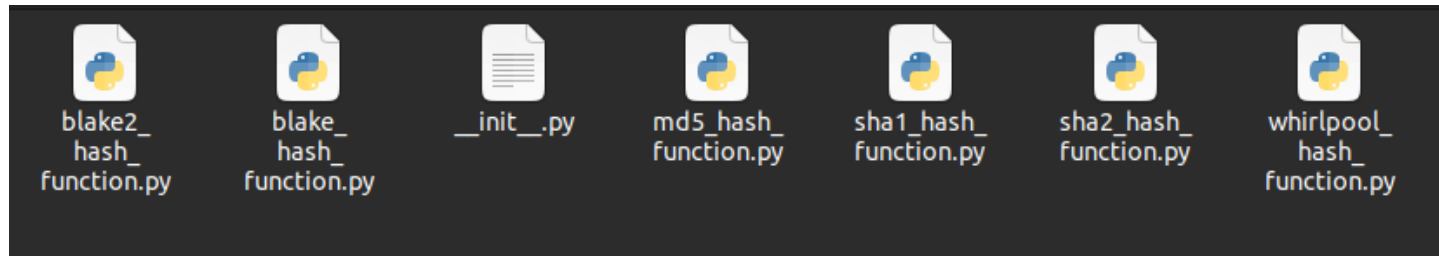
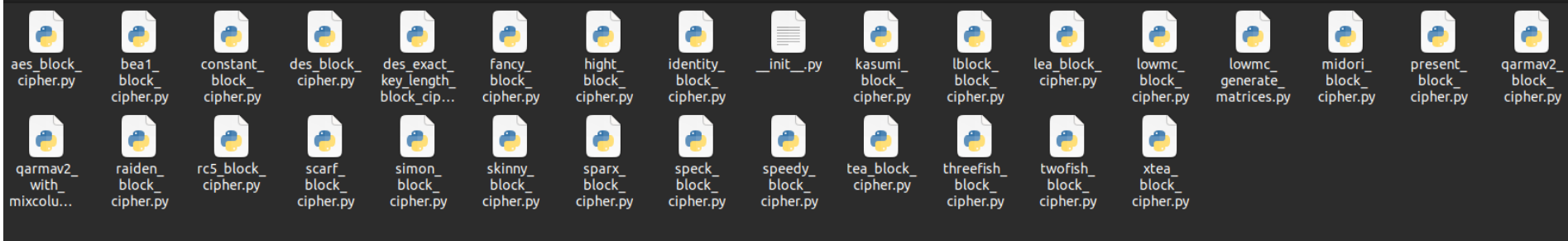
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Cipher types		SPN	All	All	SPN	ARX	All	All
Cipher representation		DAG	Python code	Python code	C++ code	C code	Algebraic representation	DAG
Statistical/Avalanche tests		-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes
Continuous diffusion tests		-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes
Components analysis tests		-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes
Constraint solvers	Differential trails	Truncated	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	-	Yes
	Differentials	-	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	-	Yes
	Impossible differential	-	Yes	-*	-	-	-	Yes
	Linear trails	-	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	-	Yes
	Linear hull	-	-*	-*	-	-	-	Yes
	Zero correlation approximation	-	Yes	-*	-	-	-	Yes
	Supported solvers	CP, (MiniZinc)	SMT	SMT	-	-	SAT, SMT, MILP, CP, Groebner basis	SAT, SMT, MILP, CP, Groebner basis
	Supported Scenarios	single-key related-key	single-key related-key	single-key related-key	single-key	single-key	single-key related-key single-tweak related-tweak	single-key related-key single-tweak related-tweak
Algebraic tests		-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes**
Neural-based tests		-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes
State Recovery		-	-	-	-	-	Yes	-
Key-bridging		-	-	-	-	-	Yes	-

Table 1: Comparison of cryptanalysis libraries features with CLAASP. -* means that the functionality is not supported, but could easily be added from the existing code.

** means the algebraic tests works on algebraic model for cipher preimages.



```
sage: from claasp.cipher import Cipher
.....
..... class ToySPN(Cipher):
.....     def __init__(self):
.....         super().__init__(
.....             family_name="toyspn",
.....             cipher_type="block_cipher",
.....             cipher_inputs=["plaintext", "key"],
.....             cipher_inputs_bit_size=[6, 6],
.....             cipher_output_bit_size=6
.....         )
.....         sbox = [0, 5, 3, 2, 6, 1, 4, 7]
.....         self.add_round()
.....         xor = self.add_XOR_component(["plaintext", "key"], [[0,1,2,3,4,5],[0,1,2,3,4,5]],6)
.....         sbox1 = self.add_SBOX_component([xor.id], [[0, 1, 2]], 3, sbox)
.....         sbox2 = self.add_SBOX_component([xor.id], [[3, 4, 5]], 3, sbox)
.....         rotate = self.add_rotate_component([sbox1.id, sbox2.id], [[0, 1, 2], [0, 1, 2]], 6, 1)
.....
.....         self.add_round_output_component([rotate.id], [[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]], 6)
.....         self.add_round()
.....         xor = self.add_XOR_component([rotate.id, "key"], [[0,1,2,3,4,5],[0,1,2,3,4,5]],6)
.....         sbox1 = self.add_SBOX_component([xor.id], [[0, 1, 2]], 3, sbox)
.....         sbox2 = self.add_SBOX_component([xor.id], [[3, 4, 5]], 3, sbox)
.....         rotate = self.add_rotate_component([sbox1.id, sbox2.id], [[0, 1, 2], [0, 1, 2]], 6, 1)
.....
.....         self.add_cipher_output_component([rotate.id], [[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]], 6)
sage:
```

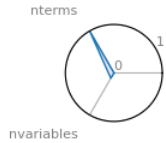



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Some Test Results

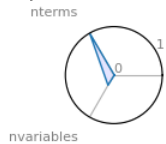
```
sage: from claasp.ciphers.block_ciphers.aes_block_cipher import AESBlockCipher
....: from claasp.cipher_modules.component_analysis_tests import CipherComponentsAnalysis
....: from claasp.cipher_modules.report import Report
....: cipher = AESBlockCipher(number_of_rounds=2)
....: test = CipherComponentsAnalysis(cipher)
....: results = test.component_analysis_tests()
....: report = Report(results)
....: report.show()
```

XOR, 2 inputs of 128 bits, 3 occurrences



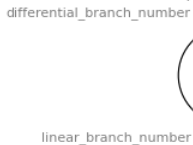
degree = 1 (best is 256, worst is 1)
nterms = 2 (best is 2, worst is 1)
nvariables = 2 (best is 256, worst is 1)

XOR, 3 inputs of 32 bits, 2 occurrences



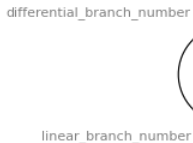
degree = 1 (best is 96, worst is 1)
nterms = 3 (best is 3, worst is 1)
nvariables = 3 (best is 96, worst is 1)

ROTATE -8, 32 input bit size, 4 occurrences



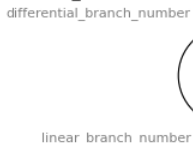
order = 4 (best is 4294967295, worst is 1)
differential_branch_number = 2 (best is 32, worst is 0)
linear_branch_number = 2 (best is 32, worst is 0)

ROTATE 0, 32 input bit size, 2 occurrences



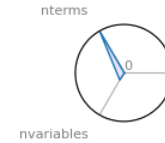
order = 1 (best is 4294967295, worst is 1)
differential_branch_number = 2 (best is 32, worst is 0)
linear_branch_number = 2 (best is 32, worst is 0)

mix_column, 32 input bit size, 4 occurrences



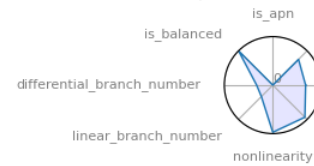
order = 4 (best is 4294967295, worst is 1)
differential_branch_number = 6 (best is 32, worst is 0)
linear_branch_number = 6 (best is 32, worst is 0)

XOR, 2 inputs of 32 bits, 6 occurrences



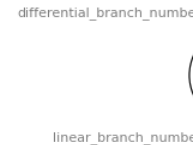
degree = 1 (best is 64, worst is 1)
nterms = 2 (best is 2, worst is 1)
nvariables = 2 (best is 64, worst is 1)

sbox, 8 input bit size, 40 occurrences



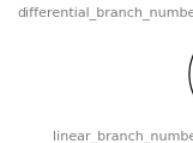
boomerang_uniformity = 6 (best is 2, worst is 256)
differential_uniformity = 4 (best is 2, worst is 256)
is_apn = 0 (best is 1, worst is 0)
is_balanced = 1 (best is 1, worst is 0)
differential_branch_number = 2 (best is 8, worst is 0)
linear_branch_number = 2 (best is 8, worst is 0)
nonlinearity = 112 (best is 128, worst is 0)
max_degree = 7 (best is 8, worst is 0)

ROTATE -24, 32 input bit size, 2 occurrences



order = 4 (best is 4294967295, worst is 1)
differential_branch_number = 2 (best is 32, worst is 0)
linear_branch_number = 2 (best is 32, worst is 0)

ROTATE -16, 32 input bit size, 2 occurrences



order = 2 (best is 4294967295, worst is 1)
differential_branch_number = 2 (best is 32, worst is 0)
linear_branch_number = 2 (best is 32, worst is 0)

```
from clasp.ciphers.block_ciphers.aes_block_cipher import AESBlockCipher
from clasp.cipher_modules.models.sat.sat_models.sat_xor_differential_model import SatXorDifferentialModel
from clasp.cipher_modules.report import Report
cipher = AESBlockCipher(number_of_rounds=2)
model = SatXorDifferentialModel(cipher)
trail = model.find_lowest_weight_xor_differential_trail()
report = Report(trail)
report.show()
```

```
plaintext
-----
active words positions = [37, 39, 116, 118]
local weight = 0      total weight = 0

intermediate_output_0_37      Input Links : ['xor_0_36']
-----
active words positions = [35, 37, 45, 59, 60, 61]
local weight = 0      total weight = 12

cipher_output_1_32      Input Links : ['xor_1_31']
-----
active words positions = [8, 11, 15, 32, 35, 36, 39, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95]
local weight = 0      total weight = 30
```

```
sage: from claasp.ciphers.block_ciphers.aes_block_cipher import AESBlockCipher
.....: from claasp.cipher_modules.models.sat.sat_models.sat_xor_differential_model import SatXorDifferentialModel
.....: from claasp.cipher_modules.report import Report
.....: cipher = AESBlockCipher(number_of_rounds=2)
.....: model = SatXorDifferentialModel(cipher)
.....: trail = model.find_lowest_weight_xor_differential_trail()
.....: report = Report(trail)
.....: report.show(word_size=8)
- - - - A - - - - - A - - - - plaintext
- - - - A A - A - - - - - intermediate_output_0_37
- A - - A - - - - - A - - - - cipher_output_1_32

total_weight = 30.0
```

```
sage: from claasp.ciphers.block_ciphers.aes_block_cipher import AESBlockCipher
....: from claasp.cipher_modules.models.sat.sat_models.sat_xor_differential_model import SatXorDiffer
....: entialModel
....: from claasp.cipher_modules.report import Report
....: cipher = AESBlockCipher(number_of_rounds=4)
....: model = SatXorDifferentialModel(cipher)
....: trail = model.find_lowest_weight_xor_differential_trail()
....: report = Report(trail)
....: report.show(show_modadd=True, verbose=True, word_size=8)
```

```
plaintext
A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A active words positions = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15]
local weight = 0 total weight = 0
```

```
intermediate_output_0_37 Input Links : ['xor_0_36']
- - - A - - - A - - - A - active words positions = [3, 4, 9, 14]
local weight = 0 total weight = 96
```

```
intermediate_output_1_36 Input Links : ['xor_1_35']
- - - A - - - - - active words positions = [5]
local weight = 0 total weight = 120
```

```
intermediate_output_2_36 Input Links : ['xor_2_35']
A A A A - - - - - active words positions = [0, 1, 2, 3]
local weight = 0 total weight = 126
```

```
cipher_output_3_32 Input Links : ['xor_3_31']
A - - - - A - - A - A - active words positions = [0, 7, 10, 13]
local weight = 0 total weight = 150
```

```
total weight = 150.0
```


Some Test Results

```
sage: report.show(show_modadd=True, verbose=True)
```

```
plaintext
```

```
1 _ _ 1 _ _ _ _ 1 1 _ _ 1 1 1 1 1 _ _ 1 _ _ 1 _ 1 1 1 1 1 _ _ 1 _ _ 1 1 _ 1 _ 1 _ 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 _ 1 1 _ 1 1 _ _ 1 1 1
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18, 19, 22, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 35, 38, 39, 41, 48, 50, 53, 54, 55, 56, 58, 59, 62, 63, 65, 66, 70, 71, 75, 76, 77, 78, 80, 81, 82, 85, 87, 88, 89, 90
, 92, 93, 96, 99, 102, 103, 106, 110, 111, 112, 118, 120, 121, 123, 124]
local weight = 0          total weight = 0
```

```
intermediate_output_0_37      Input Links : ['xor_0_36']
```

```
_ _ _ _ _ 1 1 _ 1 _ _ 1 1 1 _ 1 _ _ 1 1 _ _ _ _ _ active words positions = [24, 25, 27, 31, 32, 33, 3
5, 38, 39, 74, 75, 76, 79, 112, 116, 119]
local weight = 0          total weight = 96
```

```
intermediate_output_1_36      Input Links : ['xor_1_35']
```

```
_ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ 1 1 1 _ 1 1 _ 1 _ _ _ _ _ active words positions = [40, 41, 42, 44, 45, 47]
local weight = 0          total weight = 120
```

```
intermediate_output_2_36      Input Links : ['xor_2_35']
```

```
1 _ 1 1 _ 1 _ 1 1 _ _ 1 1 _ 1 1 _ 1 1 _ 1 1 _ _ _ _ _ active words positions = [1, 3, 4, 6, 9, 10, 12, 13
, 18, 19, 21, 22, 26, 27, 29, 30]
local weight = 0          total weight = 126
```

```
cipher_output_3_32           Input Links : ['xor_3_31']
```

```
1 1 _ 1 1 1 _ 1 _ _ _ _ _ 1 1 _ 1 1 _ _ _ _ _ active words positions = [0, 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 57, 58,
61, 62, 81, 82, 85, 86, 106, 107, 110, 111]
local weight = 0          total weight = 150
```

```
total_weight = 150.0
```

```
sage: from claasp.cipher_modules.statistical_tests.nist_statistical_tests import
....: NISTStatisticalTests
....: from claasp.ciphers.block_ciphers.aes_block_cipher import AESBlockCipher
....: from claasp.cipher_modules.report import Report
....:
....: cipher = AESBlockCipher(number_of_rounds=5)
....: test = NISTStatisticalTests(cipher)
....: results = test.nist_statistical_tests('avalanche')
....:
....: report = Report(results)
....: report.show()
      Statistical Testing In Progress.....
```

RESULTS FOR THE UNIFORMITY OF P-VALUES AND THE PROPORTION OF PASSING SEQUENCES

generator is <1048576>

C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C7	C8	C9	C10	P-VALUE	PROPORTION	STATISTICAL TEST
55	43	35	35	34	42	47	32	28	33	0.067989	379/384	Frequency

The minimum pass rate for each statistical test with the exception of the random excursion (variant) test is approximately = 374 for a sample size = 384 binary sequences.

For further guidelines construct a probability table using the MAPLE program provided in the addendum section of the documentation.

```
sage: from claasp.ciphers.block_ciphers.aes_block_cipher import AESBlockCipher
..... from claasp.cipher_modules.models.milp.milp_models.milp_xor_differential_model import MilpXorDifferentialModel
..... from claasp.cipher_modules.report import Report
..... aes=AESBlockCipher(number_of_rounds=2)
..... milp = MilpXorDifferentialModel(aes)
..... milp_trail = milp.find_lowest_weight_xor_differential_trail(solver_name='SCIP_EXT')
..... print(f"Found a trail of weight {milp_trail['total_weight']}:\\n")
..... trail_report = Report(milp_trail)
..... trail_report.show(show_modadd=True, verbose=True)
Writing problem data to 'aes_block_cipher_k128_p128_o128_r2_xor_differential_1719831435.077382.lp'...
907039 lines were written
```

```
sage: from claasp.ciphers.block_ciphers.speck_block_cipher import SpeckBlockCipher
....: er
....: from claasp.cipher_modules.algebraic_tests import AlgebraicTests
....: from claasp.cipher_modules.report import Report
....:
....: cipher = SpeckBlockCipher(number_of_rounds=4)
....: test = AlgebraicTests(cipher)
....: results = test.algebraic_tests(timeout_in_seconds=5)
....:
....: report = Report(results)
....: report.show()
/usr/local/lib/python3.10/dist-packages/kaleido/scopes/base.py:188: DeprecationWarning:
setDaemon() is deprecated, set the daemon attribute instead

sage: report
<claasp.cipher_modules.report.Report object at 0x77bc66e12a40>
sage: report.save_as_image()
saving image
image saved
Report saved in /home/sage/tii-claasp/test_reports/speck_p32_k64_o32_r4_date:2024-07-01time:12:07:48.0004
71/algebraic_tests
```

	1	2	3	4
number_of_variables	112	256	400	544
number_of_equations	64	192	320	448
number_of_monomials	157	391	626	860
max_degree_of_equations	2	2	2	2
test_passed	True	True	True	True

Conclusions

PROS	CONS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Still in development process.• Implementation of the algorithm is easy.• To make all the tests. Only implementation of the algorithm is enough.• Searching best linear and differential trails are easy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Only uses 1 processor.• Documentation is not correct.• Some functions are not working.• Some tests works fine with basic ciphers like Speck but have problem with working AES• MILP generates too many equations.• Makes bitwise testing not byte-wise.

- Bellini, E., Gerault, D., Grados, J., Huang, Y. J., Makarim, R., Rachidi, M., & Tiwari, S. (2023, August). CLAASP: a cryptographic library for the automated analysis of symmetric primitives. In *International Conference on Selected Areas in Cryptography* (pp. 387-408). Cham: Springer Nature Switzerland.