# Exact Formula for RX-Differential Probability Through Modular Addition for All Rotations

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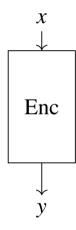
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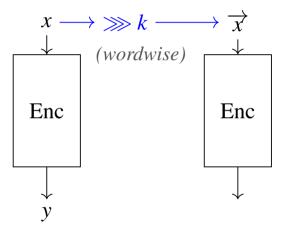
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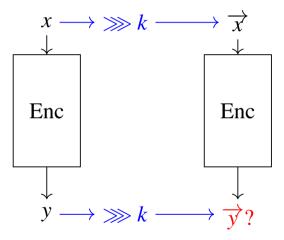
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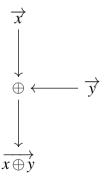
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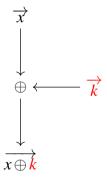




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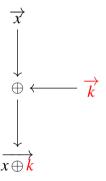


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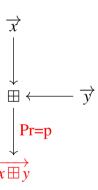
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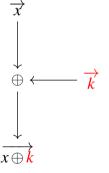


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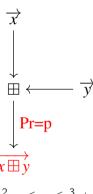






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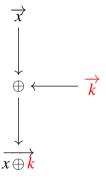
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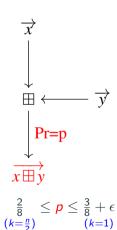
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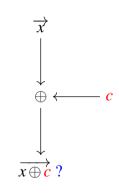


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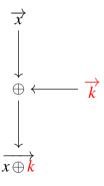
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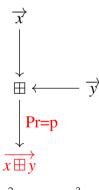


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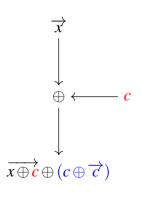
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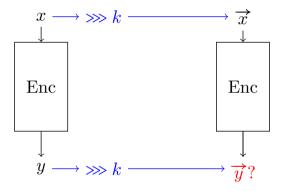
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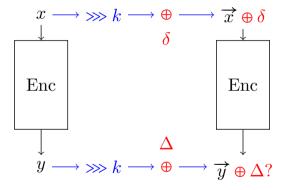


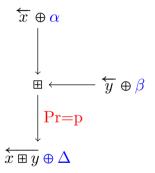
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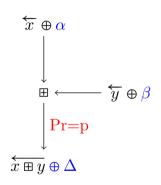
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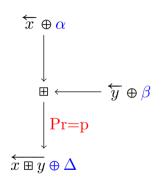








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$$\begin{split} &(\chi_L||\chi_0) = \alpha \oplus \beta \oplus \Delta \\ &(\nu_L||\nu_0) = (\alpha \oplus \beta) \vee (\alpha \oplus \Delta) \quad \textit{(not-all-equal)} \\ &\mathsf{SHL}: \mathsf{shift} \ \mathsf{left} \ \mathsf{by} \ 1 \ \mathsf{position} \ (\mathsf{drop} \ \mathsf{MSB}) \\ & 2^{-\mathsf{wt}(\mathsf{SHL}(\nu_L))} \ \mathsf{is} \ \mathsf{a} \ \mathsf{normal} \ \mathsf{ARX} \ \mathsf{differential} \ \mathsf{prob.} \ (\mathsf{excl.} \ \mathsf{LSB}) \end{split}$$

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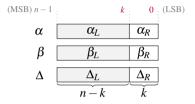
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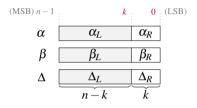
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where

$$T_{m}(\alpha, \beta, \Delta, \mathbf{w}) = 2^{-d-1} + \mathbb{1}_{\alpha \oplus \beta \oplus \Delta \in \{0...0, 1...1\}} \times (-1)^{\mathbf{w}} \times 2^{-m-1}$$

$$d = \operatorname{wt}(\mathsf{SHL}(\nu)) = \operatorname{wt}(\mathsf{SHL}((\alpha \oplus \beta) \vee (\alpha \oplus \Delta)))$$

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc}
(MSB) & n-1 & & & & & & \\
\alpha & & & \alpha_L & & \alpha_R & \\
\beta & & & \beta_L & & \beta_R & \\
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& & & & & & k
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Conclusion: concrete trails are probably not affected, optimality claims do

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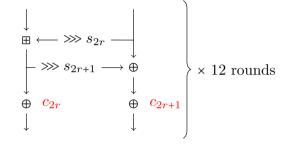
- Model the weight of the correction factor using logarithm tables (PieceWise-Linear constraints - PWL)
- "Flag" variables to determine if the correction is needed

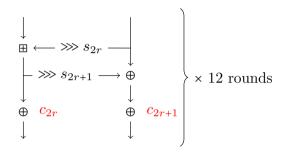
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# Alzette (64-bit ARX-box, 4 32-bit modular additions)

	CASCADA,[LWRA17]	This work	This work	[HXW22]	[HXW22]
	(k=1)	(k = 1)	(k > 1)	(k = 1)	(k > 1)
Ci	wt	wt	wt	wt	wt
<i>c</i> <sub>0</sub>	33.66	33.66	33.93	37.66	43.00
$c_1$	31.66	31.66	33.01	38.66	-
<i>c</i> <sub>2</sub>	37.66	37.66	34.00	52.66	-
<i>c</i> <sub>3</sub>	38.66	38.66	32.75	45.66	-
C4	35.66	35.66	33.00	45.66	-
<i>C</i> <sub>5</sub>	32.66	33.66	30.89	44.66	-
<i>c</i> <sub>6</sub>	30.66	30.66	32.97	40.66	-
<i>C</i> <sub>7</sub>	37.66	37.66	32.45	49.66	_

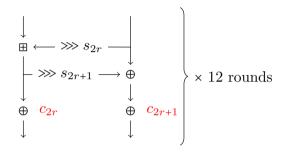
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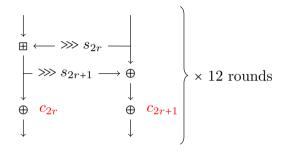
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3	6db6c71c:5b127ffe	-3.19
4	38e39249:152ad249	-1.83
5	638e36db:649cad55	-2.83
6	1c71c7ff:471c9492	-1.83
7	36db6d55:63f1c71d	-2.83
8	471c7249:36a4ff1c	-2.19
9	4924938e:5b6c8e47	-3.19
10	2aab6db6:71c736db	-1.83
11	6db638e3:55b9c71d	-2.83
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Round	Constants	$log_2(prob)$
1	00000000:4e381c1c	-2.19
2	2aaaaaaa:36dbe492	-2.19
3	7ffffffff:1236db6c	-1.83
4	55555555:0763638e	-1.83
5	2aaaaaaa:1b6d4949	-2.19
6	55555555:638ef1c7	-1.83
7	00000000:47638e39	-2.19
8	2aaaaaaa:5236b6db	-2.19
9	55555555:4e381c1c	-1.83
10	7fffffff:638eb1c7	-2.19
11	7fffffff:47638e39	-2.19
12	3f2bb31e:b6c004cc	-2.19
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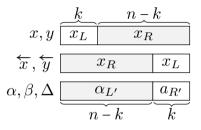
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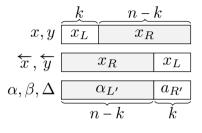


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#### **Proof ideas - Recursion**

### Proposition (Carry-constrained Differential through ⊞)

Let

$$XDS_n = \#\{(x,y) \mid x \boxplus y \oplus (x \oplus \alpha) \boxplus (y \oplus \beta) = \Delta\} \ (\textit{Lipmaa-Moriai})$$
 
$$R_n(\alpha,\beta,\Delta) = \#\{(x,y) \in XDS_n(\alpha,\beta,\Delta) \mid x+y < 2^n\}$$

Then, for 
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