

# Comprehensive Security Analysis of CRAFT

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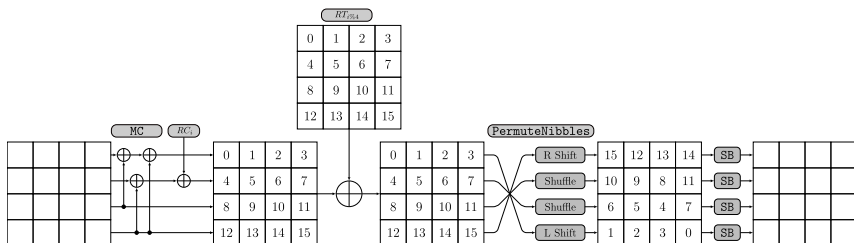


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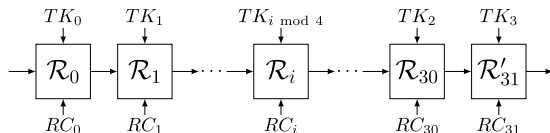
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- CRAFT: A light-weight tweakable block cipher, taking efficient protection against DFA<sup>1</sup> in consideration, from design phase
- Main Parameters: 64-bit block, 128-bit key, 64-bit tweak



<sup>1</sup>Differential Fault Attack



- Structure: 32 rounds consisting of 31 identical round, plus one linear round (without PN, and SB layers)

$$TK_0 = K_0 \oplus T,$$

$$TK_1 = K_1 \oplus T,$$

$$TK_2 = K_0 \oplus Q(T),$$

$$TK_3 = K_1 \oplus Q(T),$$

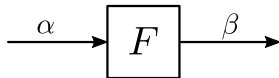
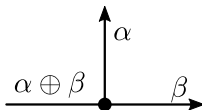
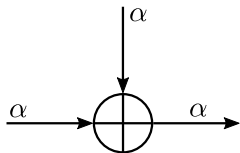
where  $K = K_0 \| K_1 \in \mathbb{F}_2^{64} \times \mathbb{F}_2^{64}$  is the secret key, and  $T \in \mathbb{F}_2^{64}$  is the master tweak.

- $Q$  is a permutation on the position of tweak nibbles

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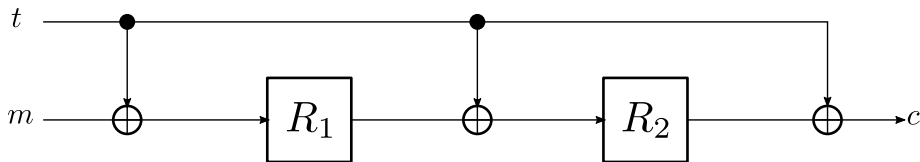
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# Reviewing Some Rules About Linear Masks Propagation



# Impact of Considering Tweakey Schedule on ZC Distinguisher

- Consider a toy tweakable block cipher like this:



- Suppose that the same tweak is used for each round



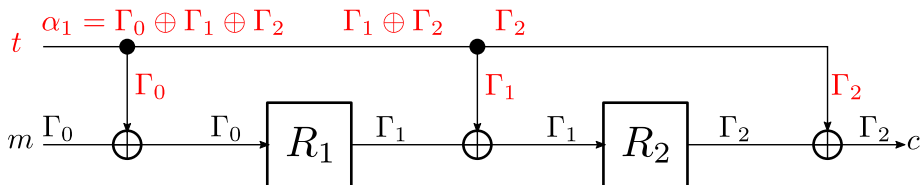
# Impact of Considering Tweakey Schedule on ZC Distinguisher

- Remove the tweakey schedule, and propagate the linear masks through the data path

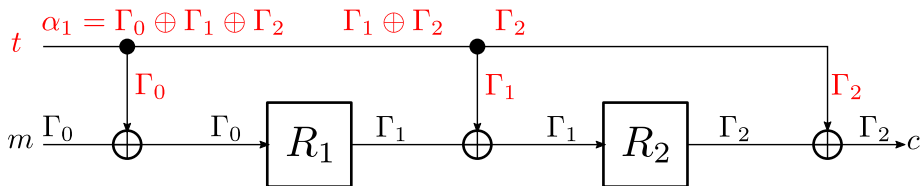


# Impact of Considering Tweakey Schedule on ZC Distinguisher

- Now, Consider the tweakey schedule in the analysis. What will be happened for the previous propagation?



# Impact of Considering Tweakey Schedule on ZC Distinguisher



- No extra linear trail will be created
- The following extra restriction is induced by the tweakey schedule:

$$\alpha_1 = \Gamma_0 \oplus \Gamma_1 \oplus \Gamma_2$$

- The extra constraint, increases the probability of existing a zero-correlation linear hull [1]

# Our Strategy to Find New ZC Distinguisher for CRAFT

## Fact

*Linear behaviour of CRAFT depends on the starting round*  
 $(RT_0, RT_1, RT_2, RT_3)$

## Tasks Performed by Computer

zero correlation linear hulls are obtained automatically via MILP based method

## Task Performed by Human

The obtained zero-correlation linear hulls, are mathematically proven

# New ZC Distinguishers Covering 14 rounds of CRAFT

## RT0

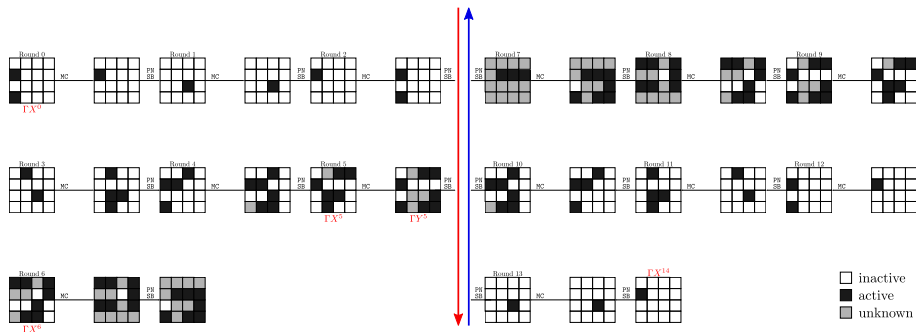
$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0000 & \gamma 000 & 0000 & \gamma 000 & \xrightarrow{14\text{-round-}RT_0} & 0000 & \delta 000 & 0000 & 0000, \\ \Gamma T = & **** & **** & ***8 & **** \end{array}$$

## RT2, and RT3

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0000 & \gamma 000 & 0000 & 0000 & \xrightarrow{14\text{-round-}RT_2} & 0000 & 0\delta 00 & 0000 & 0000, \\ 0000 & 0\gamma 00 & 0000 & 0000 & \xrightarrow{14\text{-round-}RT_3} & 0000 & \delta 000 & 0000 & 0000, \\ \Gamma T = & **** & **** & ***0 & **** \end{array}$$

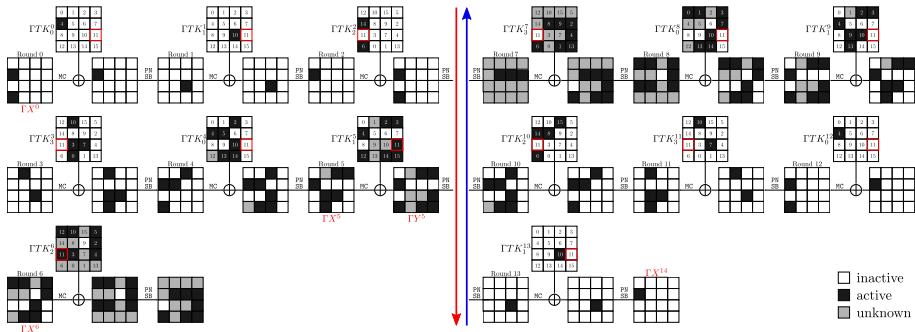
- \* depicts an arbitrary value in  $\mathbb{F}_2^4$ , and  $\gamma, \delta \in \mathbb{F}_2^4 \setminus \{0\}$
- We have not found a ZC distinguisher covering 14 rounds, in case  $RT_1$

# Proof of 14-round ZC disntinguisher in case $RT0$



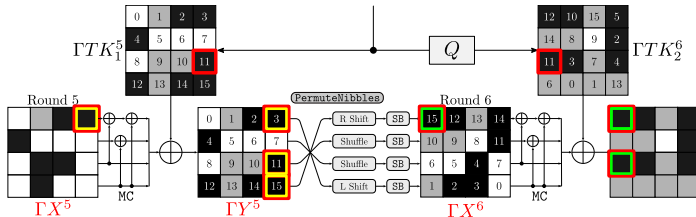
What if we consider the tweakkey schedule?

# Proof of 14-round ZC disntinguisher in case $RT0$



$$\Gamma T = \bigoplus_{\substack{i=0, \\ i \% 4 < 2}}^{r-1} \Gamma Y_i \oplus \bigoplus_{\substack{i=0, \\ i \% 4 \geq 2}}^{r-1} Q^{-1}(\Gamma Y_i) = \begin{pmatrix} * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & \mathbf{8} \\ * & * & * & * \end{pmatrix}$$

# Proof of 14-round ZC disntinguisher in case $RT0$



According to the tweakey schedule, and MC in rounds 5, and 6

$$\Gamma TK_1^5[11] \oplus \Gamma TK_2^6[8] = 8 \xrightarrow[\Gamma Y^5[11] = \Gamma TK_1^5[11]]{\Gamma X^6[0] = \Gamma TK_2^6[8]} \Gamma Y^5[11] \oplus \Gamma X^6[0] = 8$$

According to the MC, PN, and SB in round 5

$$\Gamma Y^5[11] = \Gamma Y^5[15] \Rightarrow \Gamma X^6[0] \in LAT[\Gamma Y^5[11]]$$

**Contradiction:**  $\exists (x, y) \in \mathbb{F}_2^4 \times \mathbb{F}_2^4$  s.t.  $(LAT[x][y] \neq 0) \wedge (x \oplus y = 8)$



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# Link Between Zero-Correlation and Integral Distinguishers

## Theorem

[8] Let  $F : \mathbb{F}_2^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_2^n$  be a function, and  $A$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{F}_2^n$  and  $\beta \in \mathbb{F}_2^n \setminus \{0\}$ . Suppose that  $(\alpha, \beta)$  is a zero-correlation linear approximation for any  $\alpha \in A$ , then for any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$ ,  $\langle \beta, F(x + \lambda) \rangle$  is balanced on the following set

$$A^\perp = \{x \in \mathbb{F}_2^n \mid \langle \alpha, x \rangle = 0, \alpha \in A\}.$$

## Theorem

[8] A nontrivial zero-correlation linear hull of a block cipher always implies the existence of an integral distinguisher.

# New Integral Distinguishers for CRAFT

- Only one nibble of tweak is involved in our ZC distinguishers
- Attacker can choose an arbitrary fixed value for those tweak nibbles are not involved in the distinguisher
- The domain space of the corresponding integral distinguishers is 68, instead of 128
- The required data for the corresponding integral distinguishers must be taken from  $A^\perp$
- The data complexity of the corresponding integral distinguisher equals to  $2^{\dim(A^\perp)} = 2^{68-\dim(A)}$

Case	$\dim(A)$	$\dim(A^\perp)$	data complexity	# rounds
$RT_0$	1	67	$2^{67} = 2^4 \times 2^{63}$	14
$RT_2$	4	64	$2^{64} = 2^4 \times 2^{60}$	14
$RT_3$	4	64	$2^{64} = 2^4 \times 2^{60}$	14

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# Our Strategy to Evaluate the Differential Effect

We use **CryptoSMT**[7] to estimate the differential effect, and it uses the following strategy to enumerate the differential trails in a differential effect [5, 4]:

- 1 Build the **CNF** modeling the problem, ask the solver to give one solution  $x$  if it exists
- 2 Add a new condition to the current **CNF** model in order to remove  $x$
- 3 Ask the solver to give a solution, repeat step 2 until solver returns unsatisfiable

# Improving the Sbox-Encoding in CryptoSMT

In order to make the CryptoSMT faster, the following method is used:

- Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{F}_2^4$  are the input/output differences of the Sbox, and  $p = (p_0, p_1, p_2)$  is used to encode  $\Pr\{x \rightarrow y\} = 2^{-wt(p)}$
- The truth table of the following 11-bit Boolean function [9], is generated at first:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y, p) &= 0 && \text{if } \Pr\{x \rightarrow y\} = 0, \\ f(x, y, p) &= \begin{cases} 1 & p = (1, 1, 1) \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases} && \text{if } \Pr\{x \rightarrow y\} = 2^{-3}, \\ f(x, y, p) &= \begin{cases} 1 & p = (0, 1, 1) \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases} && \text{if } \Pr\{x \rightarrow y\} = 2^{-2}, \\ f(x, y, p) &= \begin{cases} 1 & p = (0, 0, 0) \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases} && \text{if } \Pr\{x \rightarrow y\} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

- The minimized product-of-sum (CNF) representation of the above Boolean function, is used to model the differential behaviour of Sbox

# A Light of Hope and A New Issue!

## First Success:

- We found an optimum differential trail covering 10 rounds of CRAFT with the following input/output differences

$$0AAA \ 00AA \ 0000 \ 00AA \xrightarrow{10\text{-round; } \Pr \geq 2^{-50.2554}} 0A00 \ 0000 \ 0000 \ 00AA$$

- The input/output differences were fixed, and the optimized CryptoSMT was used to evaluate the differential effect
- 3513898 optimal trails were counted in 4 days, before interrupting the run!
- We could improve the designers' claim ( $2^{-62.61}$ ) at this stage

## A new issue:

- The evaluation of differential effect was still very time consuming! Especially for more number of rounds

# Some Inspiring Observations

- We observed that there are optimum trails for even (starting from 8), and odd (starting from 9) number of rounds, with the same input/output differences:

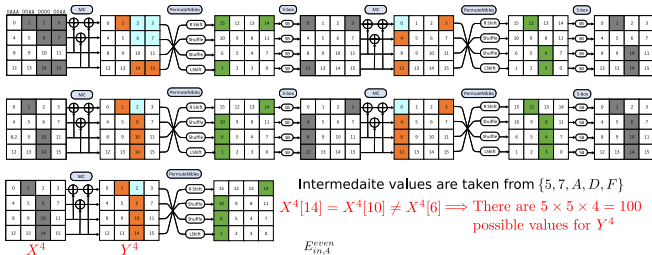
$$0AAA \ 00AA \ 0000 \ 00AA \xrightarrow{\text{r-round; even, } \Pr_c^{o,r} = 2^{-(56+8(r-8))}} 0A00 \ 0000 \ 0000 \ 00AA,$$

$$AA0A \ AA00 \ 0000 \ AA00 \xrightarrow{\text{r-round; odd, } \Pr_c^{o,r} = 2^{-(64+8(r-9))}} 0A00 \ 0000 \ 0000 \ 00AA,$$

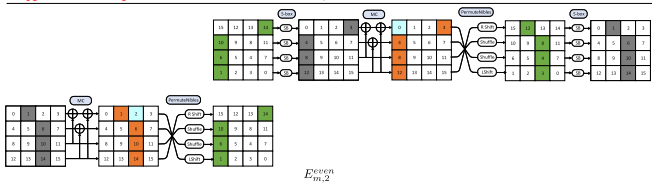
- The above observations, lead us to divide and conquer strategy



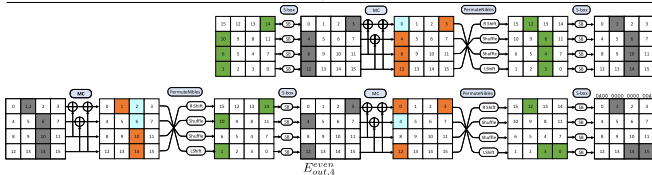
# Building Blocks of Even Number of Rounds



$$p^{in} = (p_1^{in} \quad \dots \quad p_{100}^{in})$$



$$p^m = \begin{pmatrix} p_{1,1}^m & \dots & p_{1,100}^m \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ p_{100,1}^m & \dots & p_{100,100}^m \end{pmatrix}$$



$$p^{out} = \begin{pmatrix} p_1^{out} \\ \vdots \\ p_{100}^{out} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p^{tot} = p^{in} \times p^m \times p^{out}$$

# Improving Differential Distinguishers of CRAFT

We could improve the differential distinguishers of CRAFT by four rounds in the single tweak model:

# Rounds	$r_{in}$	$r_m$	$r_{out}$	Pr	# optimum trails
9	4	-	5	$2^{-40.20}$	$2^{23.32}$
10	4	-	6	$2^{-44.89}$	$2^{26.49}$
11	4	2	5	$2^{-49.79}$	$2^{29.66}$
12	4	2	6	$2^{-54.48}$	$2^{32.83}$
13	4	4	5	$2^{-59.13}$	$2^{36.00}$
14	4	4	6	$2^{-63.80}$	$2^{39.18}$

# Contributions

Attack	# Rounds	Probability	Reference
<i>ST-D</i>	10	$2^{-62.61}$	[2]
	10	$2^{-44.89}$	this paper
	11	$2^{-49.79}$	
	12	$2^{-54.48}$	
	13	$2^{-59.13}$	
	14	$2^{-63.80}$	
<i>ST-TD</i>	12	$2^{-36}$	[6]
<i>ST-LH</i>	14	$2^{-62.12}$	[2]
<i>RT<sub>0</sub>-D</i>	15	$2^{-55.14}$	[2]
<i>RT<sub>1</sub>-D</i>	16	$2^{-57.18}$	
<i>RT<sub>2</sub>-D</i>	17	$2^{-60.14}$	
<i>RT<sub>3</sub>-D</i>	16	$2^{-55.14}$	
<i>ST-ID</i>	13	-	
<i>ST-INT</i>	13	-	
<i>ST-ZC</i>	13	-	
<i>RT-ZC</i>	14	-	this paper
<i>RT-INT</i>	14	-	this paper
<i>RK-D</i>	32	$2^{-32}$	[3]

# Thank You for Listening!

all the codes are publicly available via the following link:  
<https://github.com/hadipourh/craftanalysis>

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