

# Cryptanalysis

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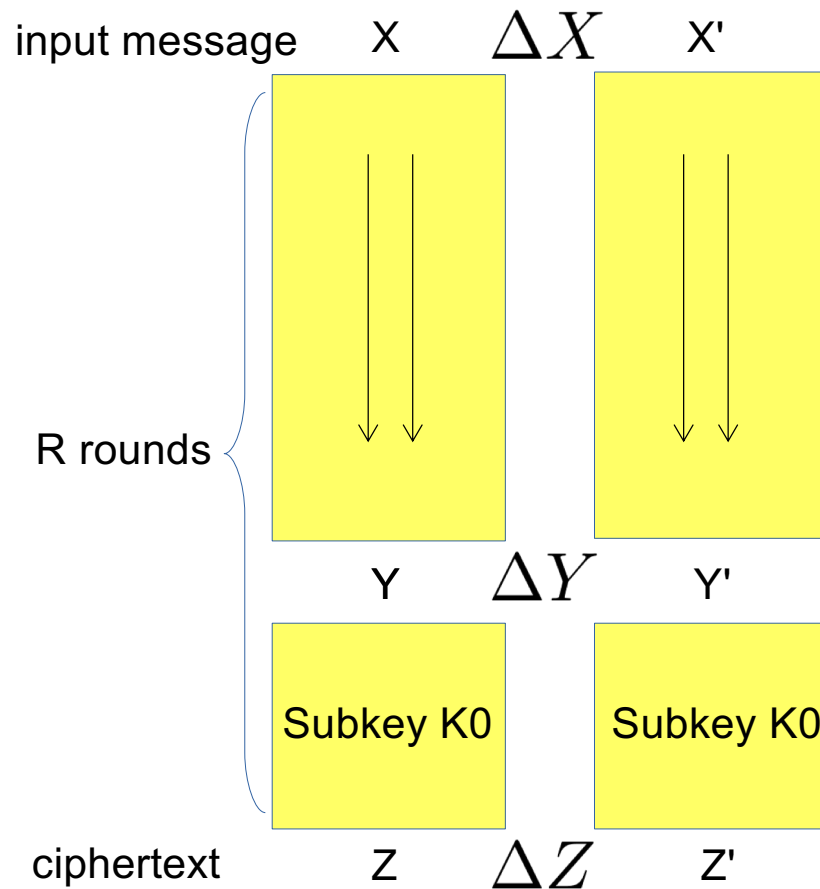
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# Differential and Linear Cryptanalysis Origins

- Differential cryptanalysis originally defined on DES
- Eli Biham and Adi Shamir, Differential Cryptanalysis of the Data Encryption Standard, Springer Verlag, 1993.
- Linear cryptanalysis first defined on Feal by Matsui and Yamagishi, 1992.
- Matsui later published a linear attack on DES.

# Differential Cryptanalysis



1. Block ciphers are usually composed by iterating  $R$  rounds of similar nonlinear operations.

**2. We track the difference value of input messages  $X$  to  $Y$ , try to build an efficient distinguisher**

3. Then the attacker by guessing subkey  $K_0$  used in last rounds, decrypt  $Z$  to match  $Y$ .

4. The statistical behavior for the correct key  $K_0$  will be much more significant than other wrong keys, which allow us to identify the correct the key  $k_0$ .

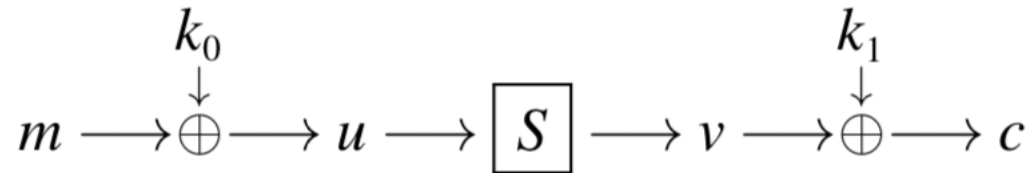
5. The rest of the subkey can be recovered in the same way by peeling off last rounds.

Efficient long differential path  $\Delta X \rightarrow \Delta Y$  is crucial to the success of the attack

# Differential Cryptanalysis – Simple case

- Consider the simple XOR encryption :  $c = m \oplus k$
- What if we use the key twice?
  - $c_0 \oplus c_1 = (m_0 \oplus k) \oplus (m_1 \oplus k) = m_0 \oplus m_1$
- While we might not get much information from considering a single message and ciphertext, we might gain much more by considering pairs of messages and ciphertext
- Secret key  $k$  could be entirely removed by simply manipulating the ciphertexts

# Cipher One



$\text{CIPHERONE}(m_0, k_0    k_1)$	$\text{CIPHERONE}(m_1, k_0    k_1)$
$u_0 = m_0 \oplus k_0$	$u_1 = m_1 \oplus k_0$
$v_0 = S[u_0]$	$v_1 = S[u_1]$
$c_0 = v_0 \oplus k_1$	$c_1 = v_1 \oplus k_1$

- Trace a difference between two plaintexts
- Cryptanalyst does know the value of the difference between these two internal values since

$$u_0 \oplus u_1 = (m_0 \oplus k_0) \oplus (m_1 \oplus k_0) = m_0 \oplus m_1$$

- We can guess the value of  $k_1$  and compute the values of  $v_0$  and  $v_1$  directly from  $c_0$  and  $c_1$ .
- Since  $S[\cdot]$  is publicly known and invertible, we can compute  $S^{-1}[v_0]$  and  $S^{-1}[v_1]$ .
- For the correct value of  $k_1$ , the cryptanalyst does know that

$$u_0 \oplus u_1 = S^{-1}[v_0] \oplus S^{-1}[v_1]$$

# Cipher Two

- We can work backwards and guess the value of k2 to compute x0 and x1, and thus w0 and w1.
- We don't know k1, but we can compute  $v0 \oplus v1$
- Starting from m0 and m1, we also know  $u0 \oplus u1$

$u0 \oplus u1 \rightarrow S \rightarrow v0 \oplus v1$

Cannot be determined uniquely!!

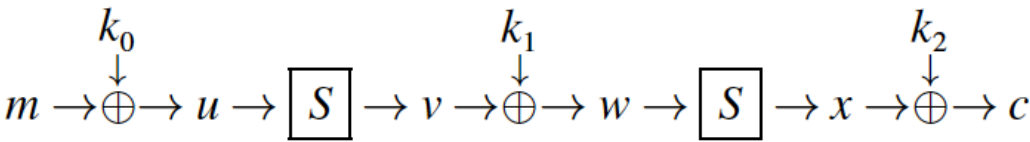
Inputs and output relations for  $i$  and  $j = i \oplus \mathbf{f}$  across  $S[\cdot]$ .

$i$	$j$	$S[i]$	$S[j]$	$S[i] \oplus S[j]$
0	f	6	b	d
1	e	4	9	d
2	d	c	a	6
3	c	5	8	d
4	b	0	d	d
5	a	7	3	4
6	9	2	f	d
7	8	e	1	f
8	7	1	e	f
9	6	f	2	d
a	5	3	7	4
b	4	d	0	d
c	3	8	5	d
d	2	a	c	6
e	1	9	4	d
f	0	b	6	d

CIPHERTWO( $m_0, k_0    k_1    k_2$ )	CIPHERTWO( $m_1, k_0    k_1    k_2$ )
$u_0 = m_0 \oplus k_0$	$u_1 = m_1 \oplus k_0$
$v_0 = S[u_0]$	$v_1 = S[u_1]$
$w_0 = v_0 \oplus k_1$	$w_1 = v_1 \oplus k_1$
$x_0 = S[w_0]$	$x_1 = S[w_1]$
$c_0 = x_0 \oplus k_2$	$c_1 = x_1 \oplus k_2$

$c = S[S[m \oplus k_0] \oplus k_1] \oplus k_2$

$x$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	a	b	c	d	e	f
$S[x]$	6	4	c	5	0	7	2	e	1	f	3	d	8	a	9	b



If  $u0 \oplus u1 = f$ , then  $\Pr ( S[u_0] \oplus S[u_1] = d ) = 10/16$

Correct guess of k2 will let us find the match 10 times out of 16, While incorrect guess will result in random behavior (1/16)

# Differential Table

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	a	b	c	d	e	f
0	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	2	-	4	-
2	-	6	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
3	-	-	-	6	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	4	-	2	-
4	-	-	-	2	-	2	4	-	-	2	2	2	-	-	2	-
5	-	2	2	-	4	-	-	4	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
6	-	-	2	-	4	-	-	2	2	-	2	2	2	-	-	-
7	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	-	2	2	2	2	-	-	-	-
8	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	4	-	-	4	-	2	-	2
9	-	2	-	-	-	2	2	2	-	4	2	-	-	-	-	2
a	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	4	4	-	2	2	-	-
b	-	-	-	2	2	-	2	2	2	-	-	4	-	-	2	-
c	-	4	-	2	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	6	-
d	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	6	2	-	4
e	-	2	-	4	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	6
f	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	2

The difference distribution table for  $S[\cdot]$ . There is a row for each input difference  $d_{in}$  and the frequency with which a given output difference  $d_{out}$  occurs is given across the row. The entry  $(d_{in}, d_{out})$  divided by 16 gives the probability that a difference  $d_{in}$  gives difference  $d_{out}$  when taken over all possible pairs with difference  $d_{in}$ .



# Differential Characteristics

A pair  $(\alpha, \beta)$  for which two inputs with difference  $\alpha$  lead to two outputs with difference  $\beta$  is called a (differential) characteristic across the operation  $S[\cdot]$

$$\alpha \xrightarrow{S} \beta.$$

For example:  $\Pr(\mathbf{f} \xrightarrow{S} \mathbf{d}) = 10/16$

How about combining two S-Boxes?

$$\mathbf{f} \xrightarrow{S} \mathbf{d}$$

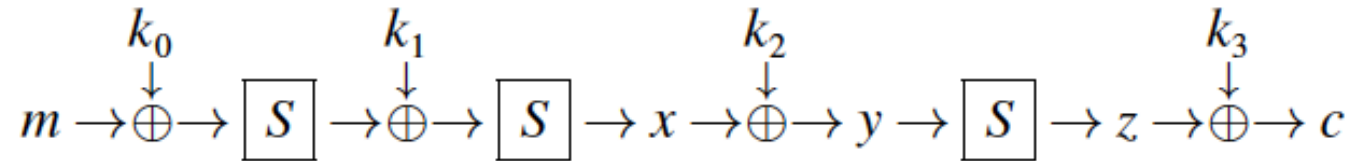
10/16

$$\mathbf{d} \xrightarrow{S} \mathbf{c}$$

6/16



$$\Pr(\mathbf{f} \xrightarrow{S} \mathbf{d} \xrightarrow{S} \mathbf{c}) = 10/16 \times 6/16$$



Thus an attacker who chooses pairs of messages related by the difference  $\mathbf{f}$  can expect the difference  $y_0 \oplus y_1$  to take the value  $\mathbf{c}$  with probability  $15/64 > 4/64$

# Cipher Four

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4) \xrightarrow{S} (\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \beta_4) \\ (\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \beta_4) \xrightarrow{P} (\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3, \gamma_4) \end{array} \right\} (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3, \gamma_4)$$

First path

$$\begin{array}{l} 1 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (0,0,0,f) \xrightarrow{S} (0,0,0,d) \\ (0,0,0,d) \xrightarrow{P} (1,1,0,1) \end{array} \right. \quad (0,0,0,f) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (1,1,0,1) \\ 2 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (1,1,0,1) \xrightarrow{S} (2,2,0,2) \\ (2,2,0,2) \xrightarrow{P} (0,0,d,0) \end{array} \right. \quad (1,1,0,1) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,d,0) \end{array}$$

$$\frac{10}{16} \times \left(\frac{6}{16}\right)^3 = \frac{135}{4096}$$

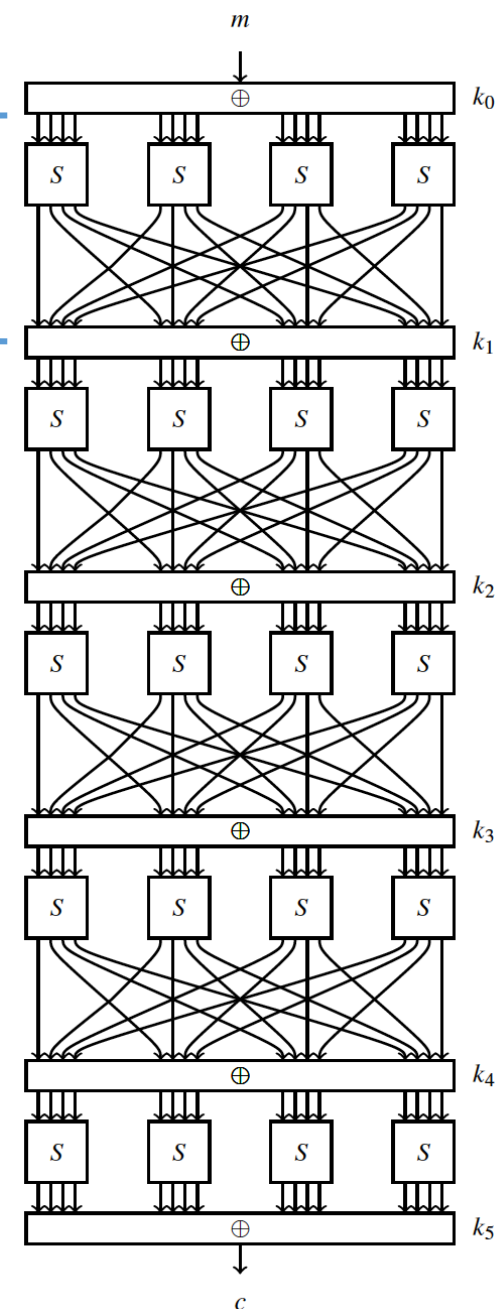
**Not Good!!**

Second path  $(0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{S} (0,0,2,0)$  and  $(0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{P} (0,0,2,0) \quad (0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0)$

Two rounds:  $(0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0) \quad \left(\frac{6}{16}\right)^2$

Four rounds:  $(6/16)^4 = 0.02 < 1/16=0.06$  **Problem?**

Cipher Four



# Differentials

- There could be more than one paths connecting  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta$

$$(0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} ? \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} ? \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} ? \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0)$$

Four paths

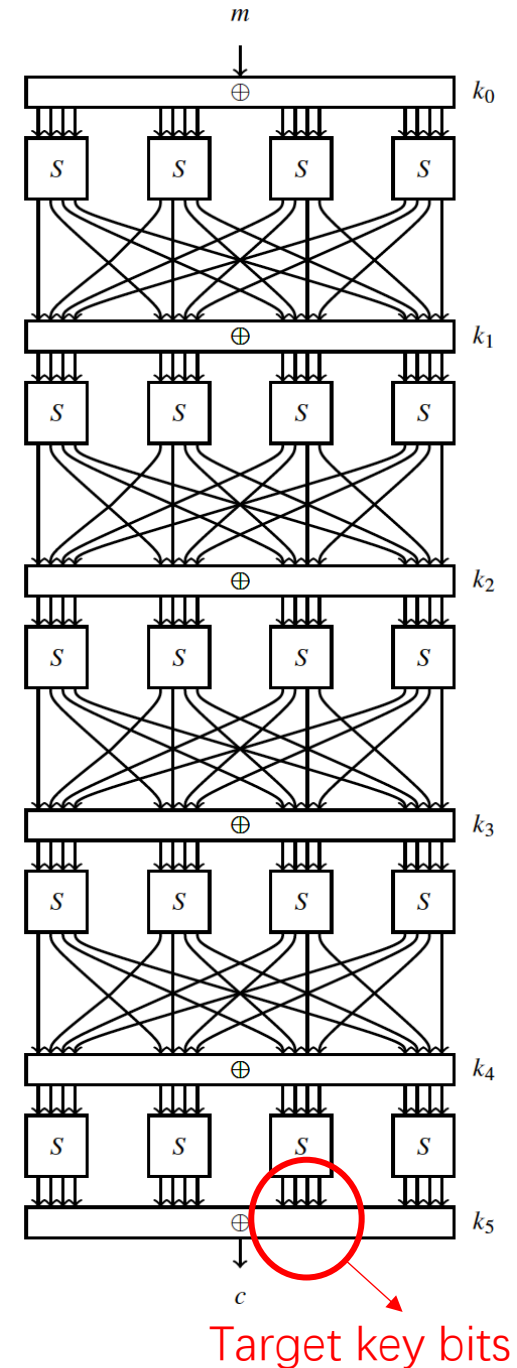
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0) \\ (0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,0,2) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,0,1) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,1,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0), \\ (0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,0,2) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,1,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0), \\ (0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,0,2) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,1,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0). \end{array} \right.$$

Now the probability becomes  $4 \times \left(\frac{6}{16}\right)^4 = \frac{81}{1024}.$

# Recovering the key bits

- Use differential  $(0,0,2,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} ? \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} ? \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} ? \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0,0,2,0)$  with prob 0.08
- We assume that a pair survives the filtering process with probability  $7387/65536 \simeq 0.11$
- Attacker receives the encryption of  $t$  message pairs which satisfy the starting difference  $(0, 0, 2, 0)$ .
- $t \times 7387/65536 \simeq t \times 0.11$  pairs to survive filtering
- Pairs that satisfy the differential and there will be  $t \times 0.08$
- Over  $t$  chosen message pairs, we would expect roughly  $t \times (0.11 - 0.08) = t \times 0.03$  incorrect values for the target bits to be suggested.

If  $t=500$ , correct key bits will be suggested  $500 \times 0.08 = 40$  times, while wrong key bits will be suggested  $500 \times 0.03 = 15$  times. Thus we can recover the right one.



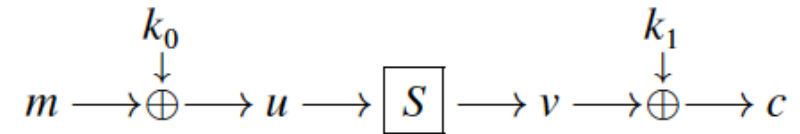
# Linear Cryptanalysis – The idea

$$c = S[m \oplus k_0] \oplus k_1$$

Assume that an attacker knows a message  $m$  and the corresponding ciphertext  $c$ .

$x$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	a	b	c	d	e	f
$S[x]$	f	e	b	c	6	d	7	8	0	3	9	a	4	2	1	5

$$u = m \oplus k_0, v = S[u], \text{ and } c = v \oplus k_1$$

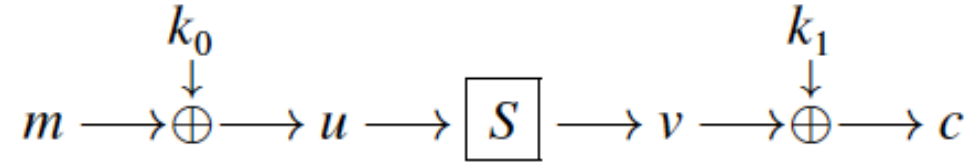


We view our blocks of input, output, and key as column vectors of bits. So if we wish to identify specific bits of vector  $x$  we can do so by pre-multiplying column vector by a row vector which acts as a mask

$$(1, 0, 0, 0) \times \begin{pmatrix} m_3 \\ m_2 \\ m_1 \\ m_0 \end{pmatrix} = m_3, \text{ and } (0, 0, 1, 0) \times \begin{pmatrix} m_3 \\ m_2 \\ m_1 \\ m_0 \end{pmatrix} = m_1$$

$$(1, 0, 1, 1) \times \begin{pmatrix} m_3 \\ m_2 \\ m_1 \\ m_0 \end{pmatrix} \oplus (1, 0, 1, 1) \times \begin{pmatrix} k_3 \\ k_2 \\ k_1 \\ k_0 \end{pmatrix} = m_3 \oplus m_1 \oplus m_0 \oplus k_3 \oplus k_1 \oplus k_0$$

# Linear Cryptanalysis – The idea



$$c_3 = m_3 \oplus m_1 \oplus m_0 \oplus k_3 \oplus k_1 \oplus k_0, \quad \text{Can be written by using mask}$$

$$\alpha \cdot c = \beta \cdot m \oplus \beta \cdot k, \quad \alpha = (1, 0, 0, 0) \text{ and } \beta = (1, 0, 1, 1).$$

$$\Pr(\alpha \cdot c = \beta \cdot m \oplus \beta \cdot k) \neq 1/2$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha \cdot m) &= (\alpha \cdot k_0) \oplus (\alpha \cdot u) && \text{with probability 1} \\ (\alpha \cdot u) &= (\beta \cdot v) && \text{with probability } p \\ (\beta \cdot v) &= (\beta \cdot k_1) \oplus (\beta \cdot c) && \text{with probability 1.} \end{aligned}$$

We can just add these equations together to get

$$(\alpha \cdot m) \oplus (\alpha \cdot u) \oplus (\beta \cdot v) = (\alpha \cdot k_0) \oplus (\alpha \cdot u) \oplus (\beta \cdot v) \oplus (\beta \cdot k_1) \oplus (\beta \cdot c),$$



$$\underline{(\alpha \cdot m) \oplus (\beta \cdot c)} = \underline{(\alpha \cdot k_0) \oplus (\beta \cdot k_1)} \quad \text{with probability } p$$

Message and ciphertext

**p=0** We are happy  
**p=1** at both cases.  
Why?

# Non-linear part

S-Box

x	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	a	b	c	d	e	f
S[x]	f	e	b	c	6	d	7	8	0	3	9	a	4	2	1	5

mask

$$\alpha = (1, 0, 0, 1) \text{ and } \beta = (0, 0, 1, 0)$$

Count the number of times that  $\alpha \cdot x = \beta \cdot S[x]$

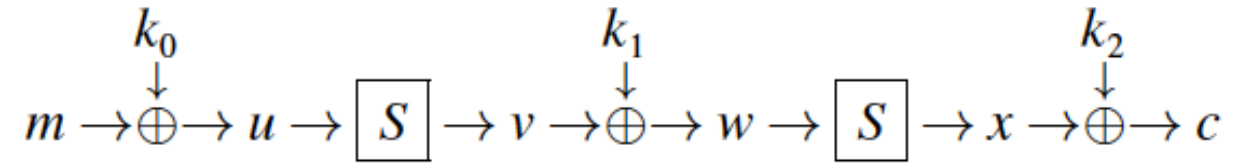
x	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	a	b	c	d	e	f
S[x]	f	e	b	c	6	d	7	8	0	3	9	a	4	2	1	5
$\alpha \cdot x$	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
$\beta \cdot S[x]$	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0

What is the probability? 14/16

$$(\alpha \cdot m) \oplus (\beta \cdot c) \oplus 1 = (\alpha \cdot k_0) \oplus (\beta \cdot k_1)$$

- We use two counters T0 and T1 which are initialized to T0 = T1 = 0
- Increment the counter T0 by 1 if evaluate the left-hand side of the equation to 0
- Increment the counter T1 by 1 if evaluate the left-hand side of the equation to 1
- Request the encryptions of N known plaintexts
- Count the number of 1s on the left side of the equation.
- If  $(\alpha \cdot k_0) \oplus (\beta \cdot k_1) = 1$ , then our counter T0 should have the value 2N/16, and T1 should be 14N/16
- Determine one bit of the key

# Joining Approximation



$$(\alpha \cdot m) = (\alpha \cdot k_0) \oplus (\alpha \cdot u),$$

$$(\beta \cdot v) = (\beta \cdot k_1) \oplus (\beta \cdot w),$$

$$(\gamma \cdot x) = (\gamma \cdot k_2) \oplus (\gamma \cdot c).$$

$$\alpha \cdot u = \beta \cdot S[u] = \beta \cdot v \quad \text{with probability } p_1 \neq \frac{1}{2} \text{ and}$$

$$\beta \cdot w = \gamma \cdot S[w] = \gamma \cdot x \quad \text{with probability } p_2 \neq \frac{1}{2}.$$



$$(\alpha \cdot m) \oplus (\gamma \cdot c) \oplus (\alpha \cdot u) \oplus (\beta \cdot v) \oplus (\beta \cdot w) \oplus (\gamma \cdot x) = (\alpha \cdot k_0) \oplus (\beta \cdot k_1) \oplus (\gamma \cdot k_2),$$

$$(\alpha \cdot u) = (\beta \cdot v) \text{ with probability } p_1$$

$$(\beta \cdot w) = (\gamma \cdot x) \text{ with probability } p_2,$$

What is the total probability that the following equation hold?

$$(\alpha \cdot m) \oplus (\gamma \cdot c) = (\alpha \cdot k_0) \oplus (\beta \cdot k_1) \oplus (\gamma \cdot k_2)$$



1. In the case  $\alpha \cdot u = \beta \cdot v$  and  $\beta \cdot w = \gamma \cdot x$ , then we have that

$$(\alpha \cdot m) \oplus (\gamma \cdot c) = (\alpha \cdot k_0) \oplus (\beta \cdot k_1) \oplus (\gamma \cdot k_2) \qquad p_1 \times p_2$$

2. A similar equation results if  $\alpha \cdot u = (\beta \cdot v) \oplus 1$  and  $\beta \cdot w = (\gamma \cdot x) \oplus 1$ .  $(1 - p_1) \times (1 - p_2)$ .

Together:  $p_1 p_2 + (1 - p_1)(1 - p_2)$ .

# Piling-up lemma and Linear Approximation Table

Matsui

- Know  $\Pr(V_i = 0) = \frac{1}{2} + e_i$
- $\Pr(V_1 \oplus V_2 \oplus \dots \oplus V_n = 0) = \frac{1}{2} + 2^{n-1} \prod e_i$
- $V_i$ 's are independent random variables
- $e_i$  is the bias  $-\frac{1}{2} \leq e_i \leq \frac{1}{2}$

Use to combine linear equations if view each as independent random variable

By choosing  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = d$ ,

$$(\alpha \cdot m) \oplus (\gamma \cdot c) = (\alpha \cdot k_0) \oplus (\beta \cdot k_1) \oplus (\gamma \cdot k_2)$$

holds with probability  $\frac{1}{8} \times \frac{1}{8} + \frac{7}{8} \times \frac{7}{8} = \frac{25}{32} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{9}{32}$ .

$$N = |p - 1/2|^{-2} \quad \text{Messages are required!}$$

Linear Approximation Table

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	a	b	c	d	e	f
1	-2	.	2	.	-2	4	-2	2	4	2	.	-2	.	2	.
2	2	-2	.	-2	.	.	2	2	4	.	2	4	-2	-2	.
3	4	2	2	-2	2	.	.	.	.	2	-2	-2	-2	.	4
4	.	-2	2	2	-2	.	.	-4	.	2	2	2	2	.	4
5	-2	2	.	2	4	.	2	-2	4	.	-2	.	2	-2	.
6	-2	.	2	.	2	4	2	2	-4	2	.	2	.	-2	.
7	.	.	.	4	.	-4	.	.	.	.	4	.	4	.	.
8	.	-2	2	-4	.	2	2	-4	.	-2	-2	.	.	2	-2
9	-2	-6	.	.	2	-2	.	2	.	.	-2	-2	.	.	2
a	-2	.	-6	-2	.	2	.	-2	.	2	.	.	-2	.	2
b	.	.	.	2	-2	2	-2	.	.	-4	-4	2	-2	-2	2
c	.	.	.	-2	-2	-2	-2	.	.	4	-4	2	2	-2	-2
d	-2	.	2	2	.	-2	.	-2	.	2	.	.	-6	.	-2
e	2	-2	.	.	2	2	-4	-2	.	.	2	-2	.	-4	-2
f	-4	2	2	-4	.	-2	-2	.	.	-2	2	.	.	-2	2

If we divide entry (i, j) by 16 and add 1/2 then this gives the probability that an input masked by i equals the output masked by j

# Cipher D

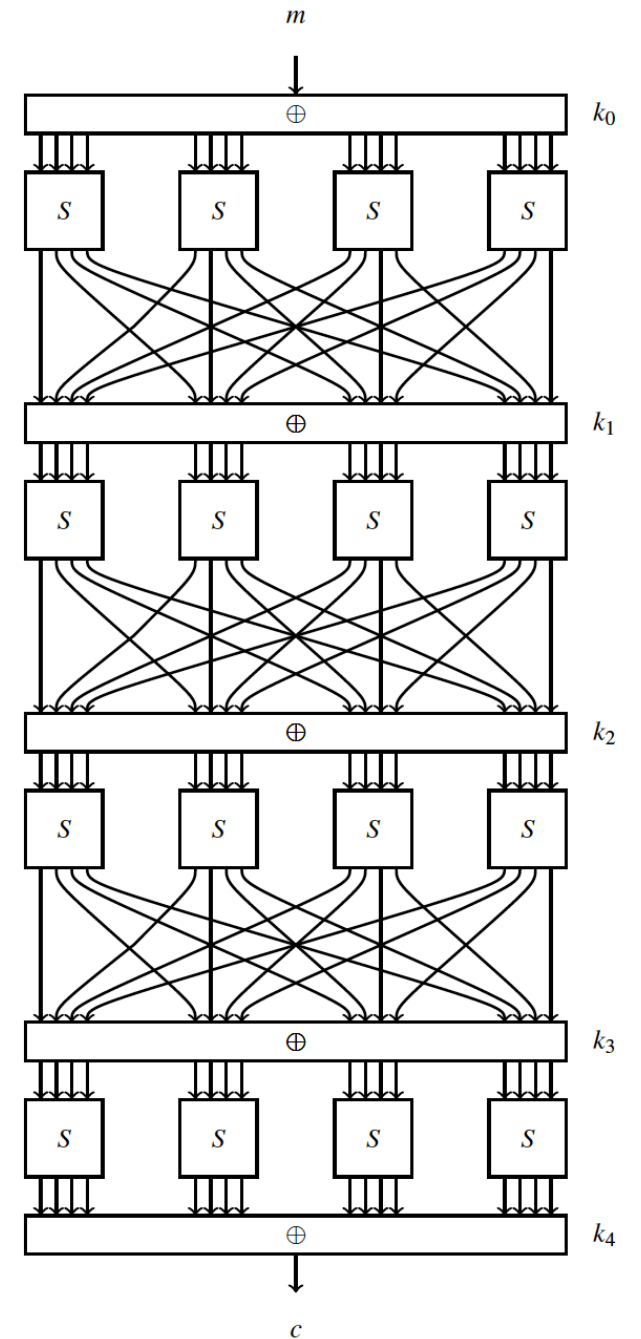
First Round  $(000d) \xrightarrow{S} (000d) \quad \frac{1}{2} - \frac{6}{16}$

$$(000d) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (1101)$$

Second Round  $(1101) \xrightarrow{S} (6606) \xrightarrow{P} (0dd0); \quad \frac{1}{2} + 2^2 \left(\frac{4}{16}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{16}$

$$(000d) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (1101) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0dd0) \quad \frac{1}{2} + 2 \times (-6/16 \times 1/16) = \frac{1}{2} + 3/64$$

We can continue to go on, but result is not good

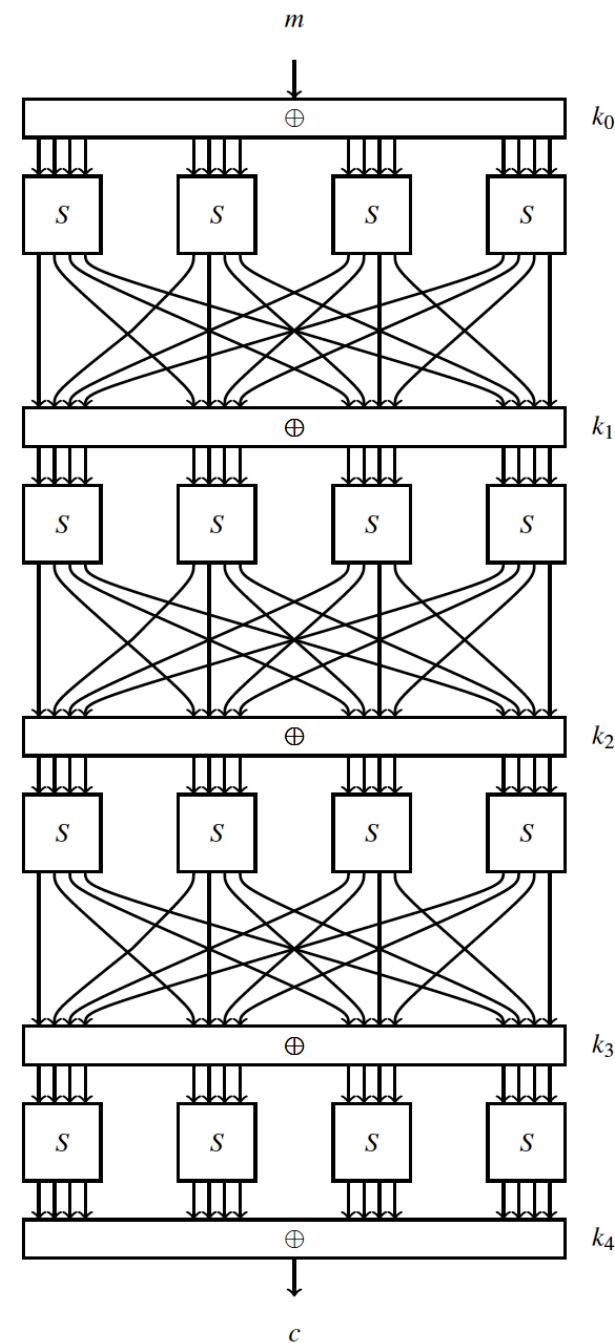


# Cipher D

$$(8000) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (8000) \quad \frac{1}{2} - \frac{4}{16}.$$

$$(8000) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (8000) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (8000) \quad \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{5}{8} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8}.$$

$$(8000) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (8000) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (8000) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (8000) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (8000) \quad \frac{1}{2} + 2^3 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^4 = \frac{17}{32} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{32}$$



# Linear Hull

Again, more than one paths

$$(8,0,0,0) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (*,*,*,*) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (*,*,*,*) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (*,*,*,*) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (8,0,0,0)$$

For example:

$$(8000) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0800) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (4000) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (8000) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (8000)$$

$$(8000) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (8000) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (0800) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (4000) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{R}} (8000)$$

# Key Recovery and Data Complexity

Assume the approximation:  $(m \cdot \alpha) \oplus (c \cdot \beta) = (k \cdot \gamma)$ , and  $p = \frac{1}{2} + \epsilon$ ,  $\epsilon > 0$ .

Given  $N$  plaintexts  $m$  and corresponding ciphertexts  $c$  we can recover one key bit as follows. Let  $T_0$  denote the number of times  $(m \cdot \alpha) \oplus (c \cdot \beta)$  is equal to 0 while  $T_1$  denotes the number of times  $(m \cdot \alpha) \oplus (c \cdot \beta)$  is equal to 1.

## The Basic Linear Attack with Characteristic of Bias $\epsilon > 0$

1. For all  $N$  intercepted texts  $(m, c)$ :

- Compute  $b = (m \cdot \alpha) \oplus (c \cdot \beta)$ .
  - If  $b = 0$  increment counter  $T_0$ . Otherwise increment counter  $T_1$ .

2. If  $T_0 > \frac{N}{2}$  guess that  $k \cdot \gamma = \mathbf{0}$ . Otherwise guess that  $k \cdot \gamma = \mathbf{1}$ .

$N$ plaintexts	$\frac{\epsilon^{-2}}{16}$	$\frac{\epsilon^{-2}}{8}$	$\frac{\epsilon^{-2}}{4}$	$\frac{\epsilon^{-2}}{2}$	$\epsilon^{-2}$
success rate	69%	76%	84%	92%	98%

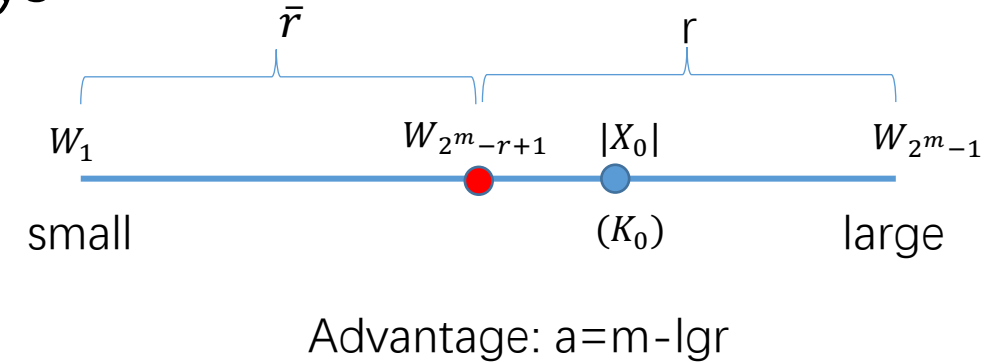
# Last round attack

## The Advanced Linear 1R-Attack with Bias $\varepsilon > 0$

1. For all  $N$  intercepted text pairs  $(m, c)$ :
  - For all  $\tau$  values  $t = 0, \dots, \tau - 1$ :
    - Compute  $b = (m \cdot \alpha_0) \oplus (g^{-1}(c, t) \cdot \alpha_{r-1})$ .
    - If  $b = 0$  increment  $T_{0,t}$ ; otherwise increment  $T_{1,t}$ .
2. Identify the counter  $T_{i,s}$  for  $0 \leq i \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq s \leq \tau - 1$  with the largest value.
3. Guess that  $k_r = s$ .

# Successful probability of Linear Cryptanalysis

- Right key ranks the top  $r$  among  $2^m$  keys
- $m$ -bit key is attacked
- Approximation probability is  $p$
- Using  $n$  data blocks
- $k_0$  is the right key,  $k_i, 1 \leq i \leq 2^m - 1$
- $T_i$  is the counter for the plaintexts satisfying the approximation with key  $k_i$
- $X_i = \frac{T_i}{N} - \frac{1}{2}, Y_i = |X_i|$
- $W_i$  be  $Y_i$  sorted in increasing order



Successful attack:  $\frac{X_0}{p^{-\frac{1}{2}}} > 0$  and  $|X_0| > W_{n-r+1}$



# Distribution of some random variables

**For the right key  $K_0$ :**

Assume  $T_0 = \sum C_i$  where  $C_i \sim \text{Bernouli}(p)$ , so we have  $T_0 \sim B(n, p) \approx N(np, np(1 - p))$

$$X_0 \sim N(p - \frac{1}{2}, p(1 - p)/n) \approx N(p - \frac{1}{2}, 1/4n)$$

**For the wrong keys  $K_i$ :**

Assume zero bias for the wrong keys where  $p = 1/2$ ,

$$Y_i, i \neq 0 \sim FN(\mu_w, \sigma_w^2) = FN(0, 1/4n)$$

FN: folded normal distribution

**Theorem (Order statistic).** Let  $\bar{r} = 2^m - 2^a$ ,  $W_{\bar{r}} \sim N(\mu_q, \sigma_q^2)$

Random variable	Cumulative function	Density function
$Y_i$	$F_w$	$f_w$
$X_0$	$F_0$	$f_0$
$W_{\bar{r}}$	$F_q$	$f_q$

$$\mu_q = F_w^{-1}(1 - 2^{-a}) = \mu_w + \sigma_w \Phi^{-1}(1 - 2^{-a-1})$$

$$\sigma_q = \frac{1}{f_w(\mu_q)} 2^{-\frac{m+a}{2}} = \frac{\sigma_w}{2\phi(\Phi^{-1}(1 - 2^{-a-1}))} 2^{-\frac{m+a}{2}}$$

# Probability derivation

- Assume  $p > 1/2$ , then an  $a$ -bit advantage attack on an  $m$ -bit key is defined as

$$X_0 > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad X_0 > W_{\bar{r}}$$

The success probability  $P_S$  is

$$P_S = \int_0^\infty \int_{-\infty}^x f_q(y) dy f_0(x) dx$$

Since  $W_{\bar{r}} < 0$  is negligible, the successful conditions can be simplified as  $X_0 > W_{\bar{r}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_0 - W_{\bar{r}} &\sim N(\mu_0 - \mu_q, \sigma_0^2 + \sigma_q^2) & P_S &= P(X_0 - W_{\bar{r}} > 0) \\
 & & &= \int_0^\infty f_J(x) dx \\
 & & &= \int_{-\frac{\mu_0 - \mu_q}{\sqrt{\sigma_0^2 + \sigma_q^2}}}^\infty \phi(x) dx & \xrightarrow{\text{Assume}} & \sqrt{\sigma_0^2 + \sigma_q^2} \approx \sigma_0. & \xrightarrow{\quad} & P_S = \int_{-\frac{\mu_0 - \mu_q}{\sigma_0}}^\infty \phi(x) dx \\
 & & & & & & &= \int_{-2\sqrt{N}(|p-1/2| - F_w^{-1}(1-2^{-a}))}^\infty \phi(x) dx
 \end{aligned}$$

# Successful Probability

**Theorem.** Let  $P_S$  be the probability that a linear attack on an  $m$ -bit subkey, with a linear approximation of probability  $p$ , with  $n$  known plaintext blocks, delivers an  $a$ -bit or higher advantage. Assuming that the linear approximation's probability to hold is independent for each key tried and is equal to  $1/2$  for all wrong keys, we have, for sufficiently large  $m$  and  $n$ ,

$$P_S = \Phi \left( 2\sqrt{N}|p - 1/2| - \Phi^{-1}(1 - 2^{-a-1}) \right)$$



$$N = \left( \frac{\Phi^{-1}(P_S) + \Phi^{-1}(1 - 2^{-a-1})}{2} \right)^2 \cdot |p - 1/2|^{-2}$$

# Other Cryptanalysis methods

- Multi-differential attack
- Multi-Linear attack
- Boomerang attack
- Impossible differential attack
- Truncated differential attack
- Meet-in-the-Middle attack

# Statistical Test

- Sixteen tests performed on eight sets of data for each cipher.
  - Do not prove cipher is secure
  - Failing a test indicates a weakness
  - NIST AES competition finalists: > 96.33% of cases passing
- What if cipher fails a test?
  - Some relationship between P,C,K – but don't know exactly what
  - Example, key with a 1 in bit j may be prone to produce ciphertext with more 0's than 1's.

# Statistical Test

- **Frequency (Monobit):** are proportions of 0's and 1's in the bit sequence close enough to  $\frac{1}{2}$  .
- **Frequency within a Block:** Frequency test applied to fixed-sized blocks within the bit sequence.
- **Runs:** The number of runs (sequence of all 0's or all 1's) in the bit sequence is determined.
- **Longest Run of Ones within a Block:** The longest run of 1's within a block is determined.
- **Binary Matrix Rank:** 32-by-32 matrices are created from the bit sequence and their ranks computed. Determines if any linear dependence among fixed-length segments of bits within the sequence.
- **Discrete Fourier Transform:** determines if there are repetitive patterns in the bit sequence.
- **Non-overlapping Template Matching:** counts the number of times a m-bit pattern occurs in the bit sequence using a sliding window. The window slides 1 bit when no match and slides m bits when a match occurs so a bit will be involved in at most one match for a given pattern. Ex. m = 9
- **Overlapping Template Matching:** same as the previous test except that the window always slides 1 bit.

# Statistical Test

- **Maurer's Universal Statistical:** determines if the bit sequence can be compressed based on the number of bits between occurrences of a pattern.
- **Lempel-Ziv Compression:** determines how much a bit sequence can be compressed based on the number of distinct patterns.
- **Linear Complexity:** Berlekamp-Massey algorithm is applied to a 1000 bit sequence to determine a linear feedback shift register that produces the sequence. The length of the LFRS indicates if the sequence is sufficiently random.
- **Serial:** The number of times each  $2^m$  bit pattern occurs is determined, for some integer  $m$ .
- **Approximate Entropy:** The number of times each  $2^m$  and each  $2^{(m+1)}$  bit pattern is determined, for some integer  $m$ .
- **Cumulative Sums:** cumulative sum of the bits is computed for each position in the sequence. The sum is computed by adding -1 for each bit that is 0 and adding 1 for each bit that is 1.
- **Random Excursions:** number of times the cumulative sum crosses zero is determined.
- **Random Excursions Variant:** number of times the cumulative sum is a particular value is determined.