

Distribution of Linear Biases in PRESENT

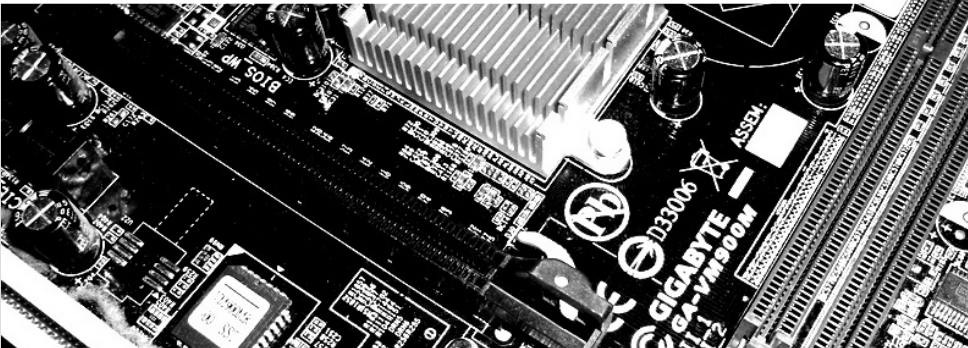
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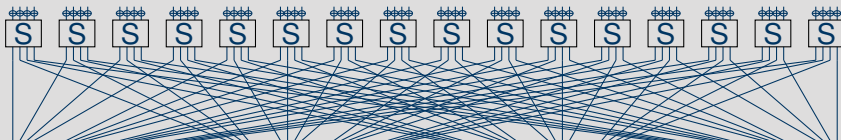
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Introduction to Linear Cryptanalysis

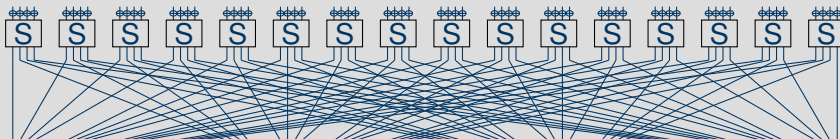
- invented by Matsui 1993–1994
- broke DES
- together with Differential Cryptanalysis most used attack on block ciphers



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- Can we approximate this function?

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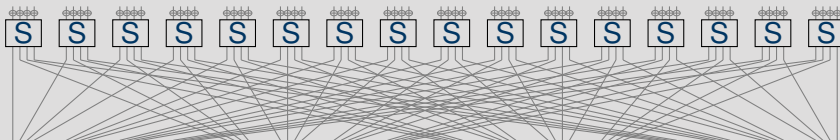
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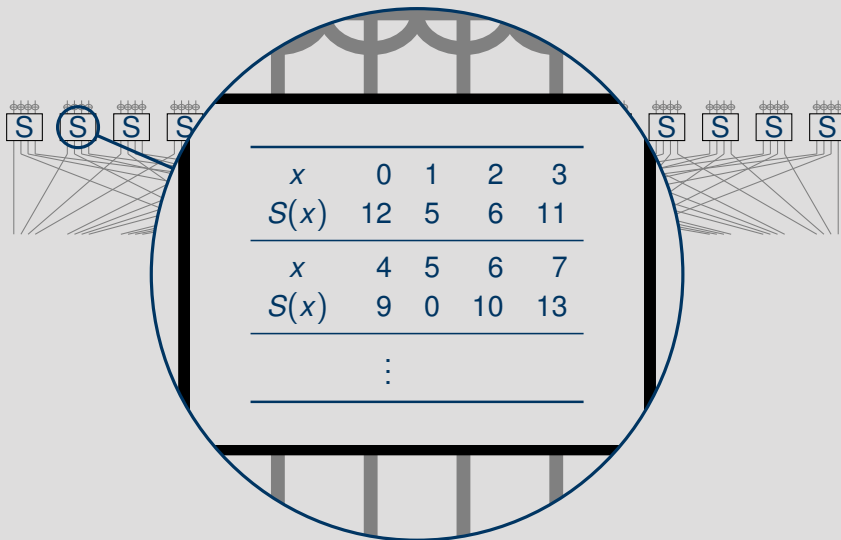
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- It is *biased*, i.e., $\Pr[\langle \alpha, x \rangle = \langle \beta, F(x) \rangle] = \frac{1}{2} - \varepsilon(\alpha, \beta)$.



- The only difficult part of F_{k_i} is the (non-linear) substitution layer.

S-box and Linear Approximation Table



	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	16							
1					-8		-8	
2			4	4	-4	-4		
3			4	4	4	-4	-8	
4			-4	4	-4	-4		8
5			-4	4	-4	4		· ·

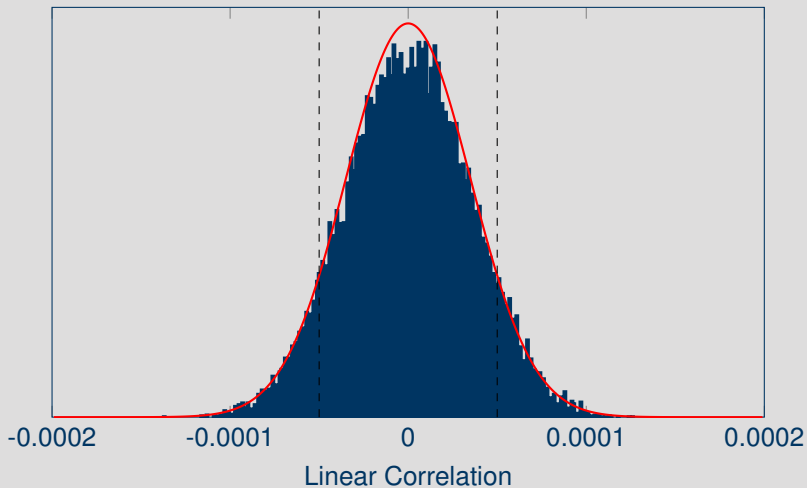
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- What happens with different key-schedules?

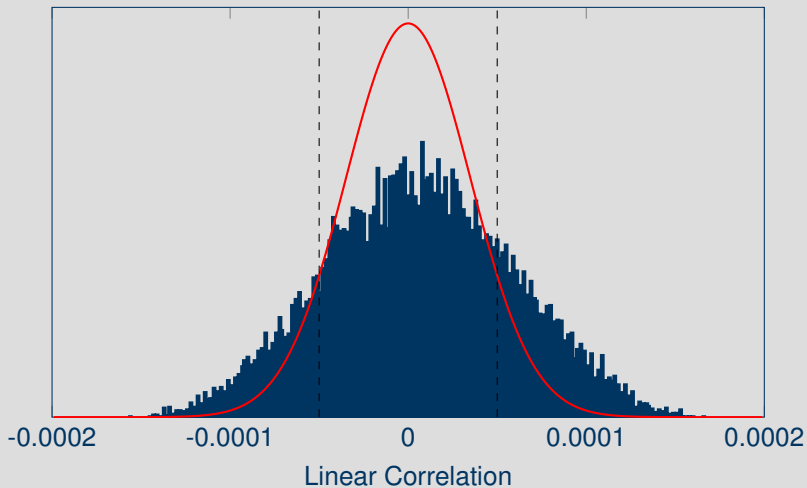
Distributions

Independent Round Keys



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Constant Round Keys



Questions?

Thank you for your attention!



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