



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

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Introduction

Overview



CLAASP is a library whose **goal** is to provide an extensive toolbox gathering state-of-the-art techniques aimed at simplifying the manual tasks of symmetric ciphers' designers and analysts.

github.com/Crypto-TII/claasp

- **opensource** library built on top of Sagemath.
- extendable
- easy-to-use
- generic
- automated

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Cipher representation

CLAASP basic idea

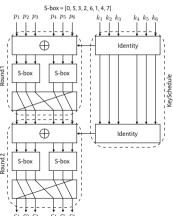


- How a cipher is represented in CLAASP?
 - a symmetric cipher is a python class represented as a list of "connected components"
 - a component is a python class that refers to the building blocks of ciphers (S-Boxes, XOR, etc.).
- What can be done from this representation?
 - generate the Python or C code of the encryption function,
 - 2 execute a wide range of statistical and avalanche tests on the primitive,
 - automatically generate SAT, SMT, CP and MILP models to find, for example, differential and linear trails,
 - 4 measure algebraic properties of the cipher,
 - 5 test neural-based distinguishers.

ToySPN1: CLAASP code and diagram



```
from claasp.cipher import Cipher
class ToySPN(Cipher):
 def __init__(self):
    super(), init (family name="toyspn",
      cipher_type="block_cipher",
     cipher_inputs=["plaintext", "kev"],
      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, "kev"], [[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)
```



CLAASP pre-defined ciphers so far



Block ciphers	Permutations	Hash functions		
AES DES LEA LowMC Midori PRESENT Raiden SIMON Speck Sparx SKINNY TEA XTEA Twofish Threefish Kasumi	ASCON ChaCha GIFT-128 GIMILI Grain core KECCAK-p PHOTON SPARKLE Spongent- π TinyJAMBU Xoodoo	SHA-1 SHA-2 MD5 BLAKE BLAKE2		

Evaluator module



From cipher representation to evaluation code



- From a cipher class, we can **automatically generate**:
 - Python and C code to evaluate the cipher
 - a vectorized implementation of the cipher, when the evaluation of millions of inputs are required

- Futur works:
 - Evaluation code of the inverse of the cipher
 - 2 A CUDA-based parallel evaluation with GPUs
 - 3 Optimization of the automatically generated code

Vectorized evaluation example: AES-128



Example

```
sage: from claasp.ciphers.block_ciphers.aes_block_cipher import AESBlockCipher
sage: aes = AESBlockCipher()
sage: import numpy as np
sage: from os import urandom

sage: n = 1000
sage: key = np.frombuffer(urandom(n*16), dtype = np.uint8).reshape((-1, n))
sage: plaintext = np.frombuffer(urandom(n*16), dtype = np.uint8).reshape((-1, n))
sage: result = aes.evaluate_vectorized([key, plaintext])
```

Differential and Linear trails search modules



Constraints solvers



- CLAASP can automatically generate models for differential and linear trails search, from a given cipher object, by using:
 - MILP: GLPK, Gurobi, CPLEX, GLOP
 - SAT: Cadical, Cryptominisat, MiniSAT, Kissat, Par-Kissat
 - SMT: Yices, MathSAT, Z3
 - CP: Choco, ORTools, MiniZinc
- CLAASP implements the generation of models to find:
 - One optimal trail
 - All trails for which the weight value is within a fixed range
 - Single-key, related-key scenarios.
- Trails can be found for ARX, SPN and Feistel ciphers

New results and future works



New results:

- Differential trail: We managed to find an optimal differential trail for 10 rounds of Speck128-128 with a probability weight of 48
- Linear trail: we found a linear trail for 8 rounds of Salsa with a theoretical correlation of 2^{-31} instead of 2^{-34} as described in Coutinho et al. (2022)

Future works:

- Impossible trails
- Differential linear trails
- Rotational xor trails

Statistical tests module

Multiple tests



We have intergrated in CLAASP the following tests:

- NIST STS and Dieharder suites, Rukhin et al. (2001); Bassham et al. (2010)
- Avalanche properties, Daemen et al. (2018)
- Continues avalanche properties, Coutinho et al. (2020)

 Future release: High-order avalanche tests defined in "ACE-HOT: Accelerating an extreme amount of symmetric Cipher Evaluations for High-Order avalanche Tests" that will be presented in LatinCrypt 2023

Avalanche entropy example



Example

We obtained the entropy vector of all output bits of the round 3 due to a difference injected in position 0.

Heatmap for the avalanche entropy criterion



■ Each cell of this figure is greener if the entropy based on the probability of flipping of the underlying bit is close to 1 with a 0.01 bias due to a single input bit difference, redder otherwise.

	state bit position							
$_{ m rounds}$	0							
1	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	1.00	0.81	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3	1.00	0.96	0.82	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.81	1.00
4	1.00	1.00	0.93	0.83	0.97	1.00	0.87	0.96
5	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.88	0.99

Figure 5.1: Speck: avalanche entropy heatmap - difference injected in position 0

Algebraic module

Current state



- Generate a multivariate polynomial system corresponding to the cipher
- Try to solve this symbolic system by using Gröbner basis

- Future works:
 - Cube attacks: generation of superpolies
 - Division trails search

Algebraic Test by Solving the algebraic System



Example

```
sage: from claasp.cipher_modules.models.algebraic.algebraic_model import AlgebraicModel
sage: from claasp.cipher_modules.algebraic_tests import algebraic_tests
sage: from claasp.ciphers.toys.toyspn1 import ToySPN1
sage: toyspn1 =ToySPN1()
sage: result = algebraic_tests(toyspn1,120)
sage: result["test_passed"]
[False, False]
```

If the test fails (returns False), the cipher is not secure against the algebraic attack based on solving its symbolic system by using Gröbner basis. If it returns True, we cannot claim that it is secure.

Neural aided cryptanalysis module



Current state



- Built from Bellini et al. (2021), CLAASP provides a test that returns the accuracy of distinguishing a ciphertext coming from an instance of the cipher with a certain key and the output of a random permutation.
- CLAASP implements the neural distinguisher described by Gohr in Gohr (2019). Specifically, the neural distinguisher is trained to label samples $[C_0 = E_K(P_0), C_1 = E_K(P_1)]$ as 0 (if $P_0 \oplus P_1$ is random) or 1 if $P_0 \oplus P_1$ is a given, fixed value δ .
- Finding good differences for Gohr's approach for any cipher: Bellini et al. (2022) conditionally accepted to FES

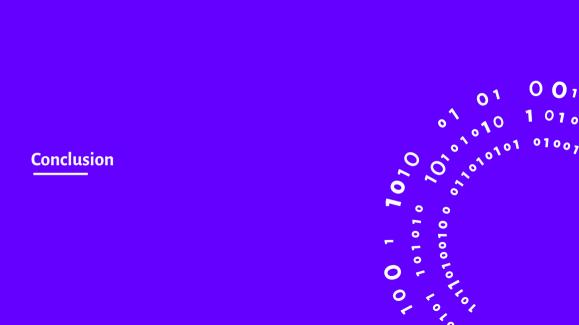
Gohr with CLAASP



Example

```
sage: from claasp.ciphers.block_ciphers.speck_block_cipher import SpeckBlockCipher
sage: speck = SpeckBlockCipher()
sage: from claasp.cipher_modules.neural_network_tests import make_resne
sage: from claasp.cipher_modules.neural_network_tests import get_differential_dataset

sage: net = make_resnet(word_size = 16)
sage: X, Y = get_differential_dataset(cipher = speck,
    input_differences = [0x400000, 0], nr = 5, samples =10**6)
sage: X_val, Y_val = get_differential_dataset(cipher = speck,
    input_differences = [0x400000, 0], nr = 5, samples =10**5)
sage: net.compile(optimizer='adam',loss='mse',metrics=['acc']);
sage: h = net.fit(X, Y, batch_size=5000, validation_data=(X_val, Y_val), epochs = 2)
```



Conclusion



- CLAASP gathers a large array of cipher analysis techniques, all in one framework
- CLAASP team is strongly committed to include new state-of-the-art techniques
- Open-source statut is an invitation to researchers to not only use it, but also collaborate

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0,10,10,10,1 **Demo** Coro

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Comparison of cryptanalysis libraries features with CLAASP



		TAGADA	CASCADA	CryptoSMT	lineartrails	YAARX	Autoguess	CLAASP
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
Component analysis test		-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes
	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-twea related-twea
Algebraic tests			-	-	-	-	-	Yes**
Neural-based tests		l -	-	-	-	-	-	Yes
State Recovery		ï -	-	-	-	-	Yes	-
Key-bridgin	g	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	-



