

# Multiple Differential Cryptanalysis: Theory and Practice

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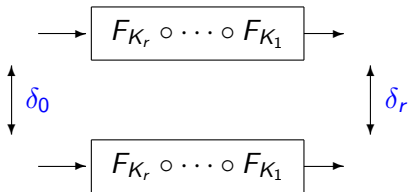
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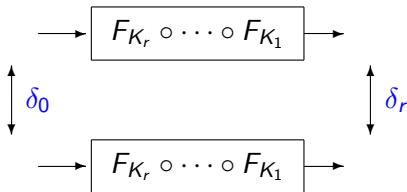
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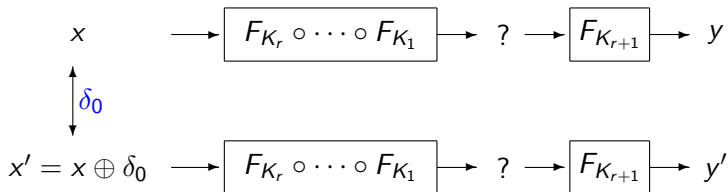


## Differential probability

$$\Pr [\delta_0 \rightarrow \delta_r] \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Pr_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{K}} [F_{\mathbf{K}}^r(x) \oplus F_{\mathbf{K}}^r(x \oplus \delta_0) = \delta_r].$$

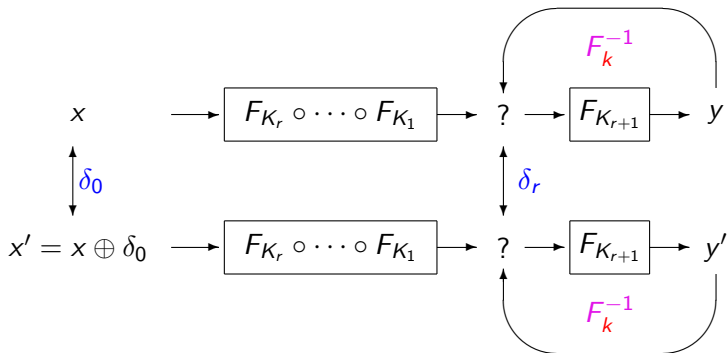
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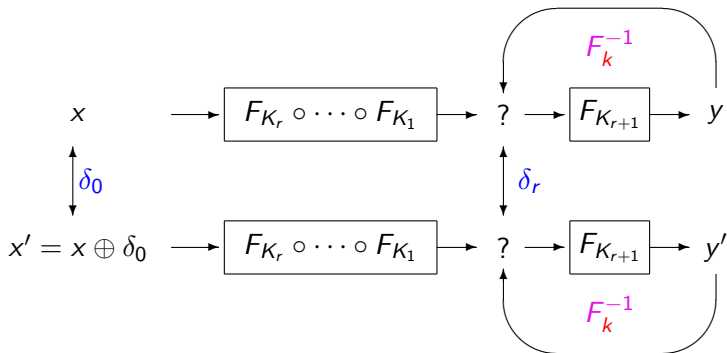
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## Basic Principle:

For each last-round subkey candidate  $k$ , compute

$$C(k) = \#\{(y, y') \text{ such that } F_k^{-1}(y) \oplus F_k^{-1}(y') = \delta_r\}$$



# Wrong Key Randomization Hypothesis

$$C_x(k) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } F_k^{-1}(y) \oplus F_k^{-1}(y') = \delta_r, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$
$$C(k) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_x C_x(k).$$

## Hypothesis

$$\Pr_{\mathbf{X}} [F_k^{-1}(y) \oplus F_k^{-1}(y') = \delta_r] = \begin{cases} p_* & \text{if } k = K_{r+1}, \\ p & \text{if } k \neq K_{r+1}. \end{cases}$$

## Counters

$C_x(k)$  follows a Bernoulli distribution of parameter  $p_*$  or  $p$ .

$\Rightarrow C(k)$  follows a Binomial distribution.

Previous works using many differentials:

[Biham Shamir 1990]

Collection of differentials with same output difference.

[Knudsen 1994]

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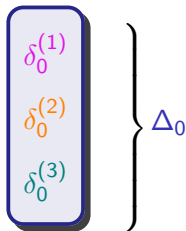
[Sugita et al. 2000]

Same set of output differences for each input difference.

# Multiple differential cryptanalysis

## Collection of differentials

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$\Delta_r^{(i)}$ : Set of output differences for the  $i$ -th input difference.

$\Delta_0$ : Set of input differences.

# The counters

$$C_x^{(i)}(k) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } F_k^{-1}(E_{K_*}(x)) \oplus F_k^{-1}(E_{K_*}(x \oplus \delta_0^{(i)})) \in \Delta_r^{(i)}, \\ 0. & \end{cases}$$

$$C_x(k) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{i=1}^{\#\Delta_0} C_x^{(i)}(k) \quad \text{and} \quad C(k) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_x C_x(k).$$

$C_x^{(i)}(k)$  follows a Bernoulli distribution of parameter  $p_*^{(i)}$  or  $p^{(i)}$  where

$$p_*^{(i)} = \sum_{j=1}^{\#\Delta_r^{(i)}} p_*^{(i,j)} \quad \text{and} \quad p^{(i)} = \#\Delta_r^{(i)} \cdot 2^{-m}.$$

What is the distribution of  $C(k)$ ?

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# Poisson approximation

[Le Cam 1960]:

Let  $C_x^{(i)}(k)$  be some independent Bernoulli random variables with probability  $p^{(i)}$ . Then  $C_x(k) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{i=1}^{\#\Delta_0} C_x^{(i)}(k)$  follows a distribution close to a Poisson distribution of parameters  $\lambda = \sum_{i=1}^{\#\Delta_0} p^{(i)}$ .

$$C(K_{r+1}) \underset{\text{approx}}{\sim} \mathcal{P} \left( N \sum_{i=0}^{\#\Delta_0} p_*^{(i)} \right) , \quad C(k) \underset{\text{approx}}{\sim} \mathcal{P} \left( N \sum_{i=0}^{\#\Delta_0} p^{(i)} \right) .$$

The cumulative function  $G_{\mathcal{P}}$  is not a good estimate for the tails of the distribution of the counters !!!



# Tails of the cumulative functions

$$p_* \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\sum_i p_*^{(i)}}{\#\Delta_0} \quad \text{and} \quad p \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\sum_i p^{(i)}}{\#\Delta_0}$$

Using [Gallager 1968]:

$$G_-(\tau, q) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Pr [C(k) \leq \tau \#\Delta_0 N] \\ \approx e^{-\#\Delta_0 \cdot N \cdot \text{KL}(\tau||q)} \cdot \left[ \frac{q\sqrt{(1-\tau)}}{(q-\tau)\sqrt{2\pi\tau\#\Delta_0 N}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{8\pi\tau\#\Delta_0 N}} \right]$$

Where  $q = p_*$  or  $p$ .

$$\text{KL}(\tau||q) = \tau \log \left( \frac{\tau}{q} \right) + (1-\tau) \log \left( \frac{1-\tau}{1-q} \right).$$

# Data complexity

In [Blondeau-Gérard-Tillich-2010], the data complexity is computed by approximating one tail of binomial cumulative function with:

$$1 - e^{-N \cdot KL(\tau||p)} \frac{(1-p)\sqrt{\tau}}{(\tau-p)\sqrt{2\pi N(1-\tau)}}.$$

Here one tail of the cumulative function of the counters is:

$$G_+(\tau, p) \approx 1 - e^{-\#\Delta_0 N \cdot KL(\tau||p)} \left[ \frac{(1-p)\sqrt{\tau}}{(\tau-p)\sqrt{2\pi N(1-\tau)}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{8\pi\#\Delta_0 N\tau}} \right].$$

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With similar arguments, the data complexity is

$$N \approx -2 \cdot \frac{\ln(2\sqrt{\pi}\ell 2^{-n})}{\#\Delta_0 KL(p_*||p)}.$$

Where:

$n$ : Number of bits of the subkey,

$\ell$ : Size of the list of kept candidates.

Success probability:

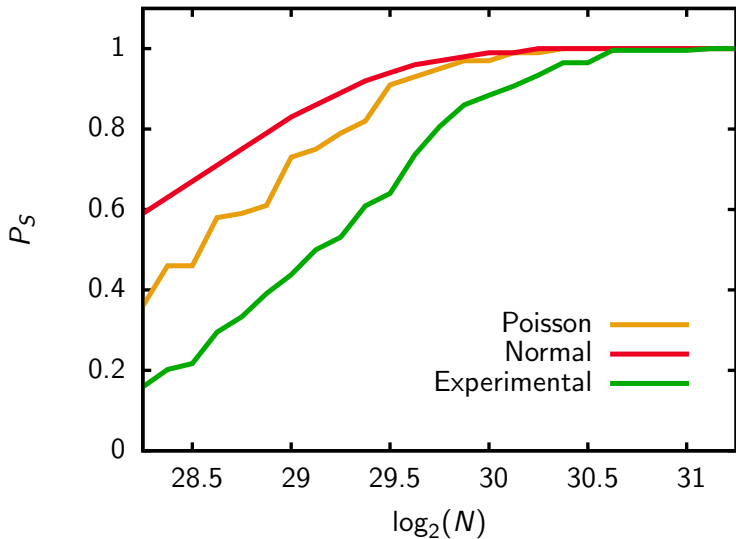
$$P_s \approx 1 - G_* \left[ G^{-1} \left( 1 - \frac{\ell - 1}{2^n - 2} \right) - 1 \right],$$

where  $G$  and  $G_*$  are the cumulative functions of the distribution of the random variables.

For  $G$  and  $G_*$  we can take:

- Normal distribution ([Selçuk2007])
- Poisson distribution (First Idea)

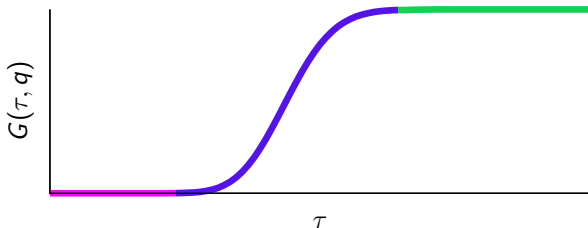
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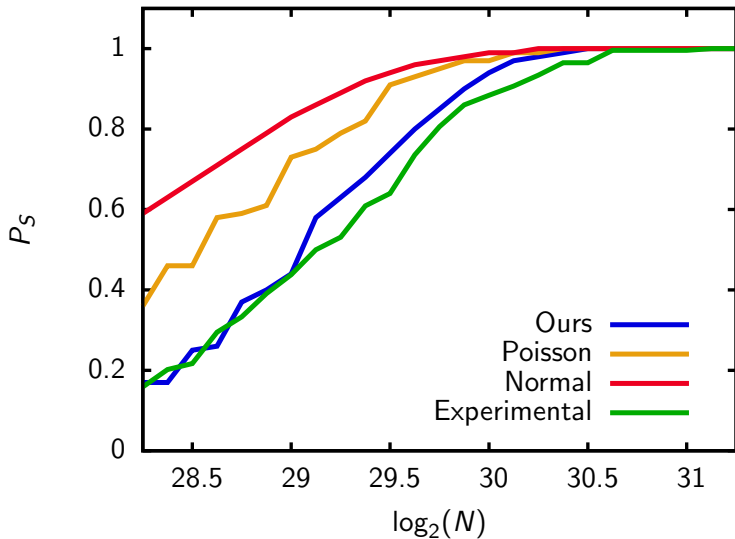
# Distribution of the counters

We use the following estimate for the cumulative function of the  $C(k)$ 's:

$$G(x, q) = \begin{cases} G_-(x, q) & \text{if } x < q - 3 \cdot \sqrt{q/N}, \\ G_+(x, q) & \text{if } x > q + 3 \cdot \sqrt{q/N}, \\ G_p(x, q) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} G_*(x) = G(x, p_*) \\ G(x) = G(x, p) \end{array}$$



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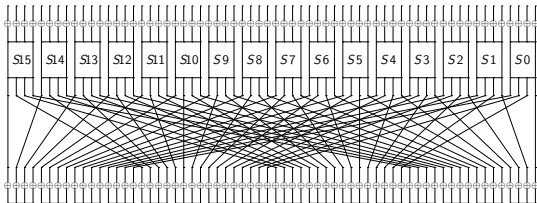
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# PRESENT [Bogdanov et al. 2007]

## PRESENT:

- Plaintext: 64 bits
- Key: 80 bits
- Rounds: 31



## Multidimensional linear attack [Cho 2010]:

- Rounds: 26
- Data complexity:  $2^{64.0}$
- Time complexity:  $2^{72.0}$
- Memory complexity:  $2^{32.0}$

## Differential Attack [Wang 2008]:

- Rounds: 16
- Data complexity:  $2^{64.0}$
- Time complexity:  $2^{64.0}$
- Memory complexity:  $2^{32.0}$

# Attack on PRESENT

Setting:

- Differentials on 16 rounds  $\Rightarrow$  attack on 18 rounds.
- $\#\Delta_0 = 16$ ,  $\#\Delta_r^{(i)} = 33$ ,  $\#\Delta_{sieve} \approx 2^{32}$ .
- $p_* = 2^{-58.52}$  and  $p = 2^{-58.96}$ .

Attack:

$N$	$\ell$	$P_S$	time complexity
$2^{60}$	$2^{51}$	76%	$2^{79.00}$
$2^{62}$	$2^{47}$	81%	$2^{75.04}$
$2^{64}$	$2^{36}$	94%	$2^{71.72}$

## Conclusions

- We have analysed the distribution of the counter when the sum of the simple random variables is taken.
  - ⇒ Formula of the data complexity
  - ⇒ Formula of the success probability

## Perspectives:

- Study complexities of multiple differential cryptanalysis by using other statistical tests.