

Meet in the Middle - STP

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Last week's exercise

Solution on whiteboard.

Recap of MitM attack

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 - ▶ Excel
 - ▶ Tailored program
 - ▶ STP - Simple Theorem Prover
 - ▶ MILP - Mixed Integer Linear Programming

STP

- ▶ Can be used to prove certain properties of a system.
- ▶ Constraint Solver.
- ▶ Quantifier free.
- ▶ Bitvectors.
- ▶ Many input languages, we will use CVC (Least annoying).

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ASSERT( y = 0xA );  
ASSERT( z = 0xF );  
ASSERT( x = 0x5 );  
Invalid.
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CVC (2)

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ASSERT(
    % x is non zero
    NOT ( x = 0hex0 ) AND
    % y is zero
    y = 0hex0 AND
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ASSERT( x = 0x4 );
ASSERT( y = 0x1 );
ASSERT( z = 0x4 );
Invalid.
```

CVC (3)

For more information on STP and CVC: <https://github.com/stp/stp/blob/master/docs/cvc-input-language.rst>

CVC	normal	CVC	normal
AND / OR / NOT	&& / / !	0hex5/0bin0110	0x5/0b0110
/ & / ~	/ & / ~	x :BITVECTOR(n)	$x \in \{0, 1\}^n$
BVXOR(a, b)	$a \wedge b$	a @ b	concatenation
BVPLUS(a, b)	$a + b$	a[4:1]	extraction
BVMULT(a, b)	$a * b$	<<	left shift
BVSUB(a, b)	$a - b$	>>	right shift

TC03

TC03 is a Feistel network with a block size of 8 bits, and a key size of 64-bit.

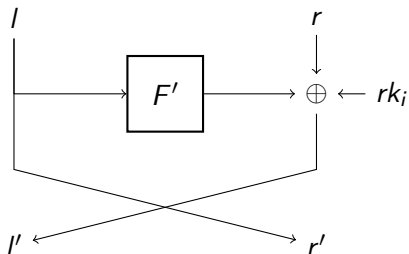
Round Function

$$F'(w) = ((w \lll 1) \& (w \lll 2)) \oplus w$$

Key Schedule

$$K = k_0 | k_1 | k_2 | k_3 | \dots | k_{15}$$

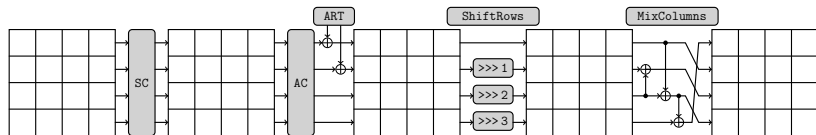
The i -th round key is given by: $rk_i = k_{(i \bmod 16)}$



CVC (4)

- ▶ Overkill for finding MitM attacks, but is interesting for finding differential/linear characteristics.
- ▶ Very verbose (no quantifiers).
- ▶ Write a python script to create CVC description of the cipher.

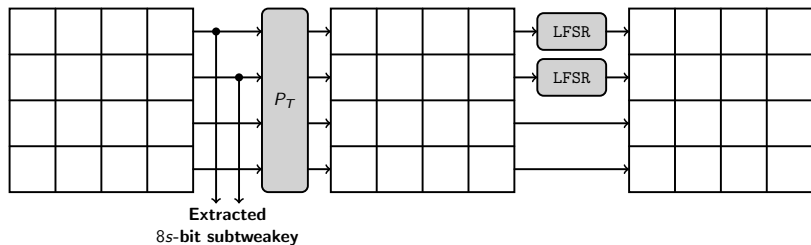
SKINNY Round Function



$$S_4 = [C \ 6 \ 9 \ 0 \ 1 \ A \ 2 \ B \ 3 \ 8 \ 5 \ D \ 4 \ E \ 7 \ F]$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

SKINNY Tweakey Schedule



$$P_T = [9 \ 15 \ 8 \ 13 \ 10 \ 14 \ 12 \ 11 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5 \ 6 \ 7]$$

$$\text{LFSR}_{TK2} = (x_3 || x_2 || x_1 || x_0) \rightarrow (x_2 || x_1 || x_0 || x_3 \oplus x_2)$$

Skinny with STP

- ▶ Model knowledge on nibble level instead of bitlevel.
- ▶ Also model the Key schedule.
- ▶ Upperbound the key weight to find 'best' attacks.
- ▶ We can find all attacks by removing instances from the search space and retrying until no valid attacks are possible.

The End?

- ▶ STP is powerfull, but for example getting the minimum number of keybits is not (natively) possible. Better to use MILP (Mixed Integer Linear Programming).
- ▶ MitM attacks are powerful, but as we will see next week there exist better attacks (more rounds).
- ▶ Only the basics of MitM attacks, we can squeeze out a bit more if we really want.

For nextnext week

- ▶ Next week **no** class!
- ▶ Do this weeks exercises (deadline 3rd of april).
- ▶ Play a bit with STP (Hint: If you find your attack on TC02 with STP you get extra points).