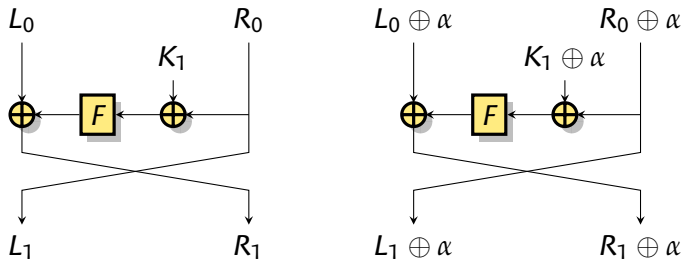


Another Look at Complementation Properties

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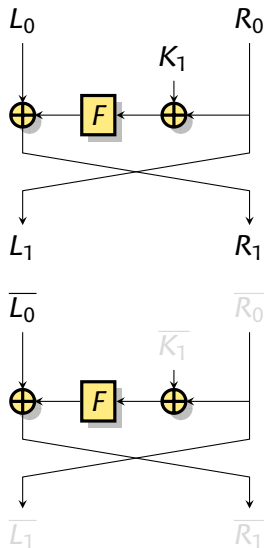
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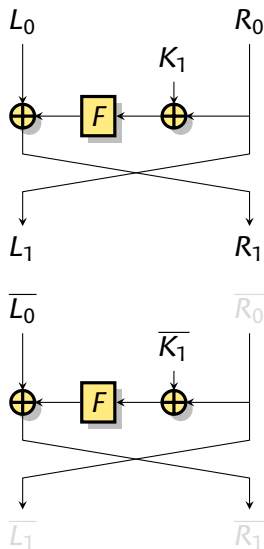
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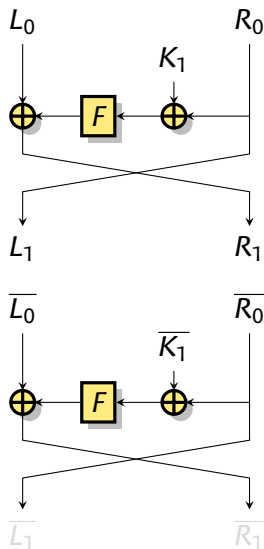
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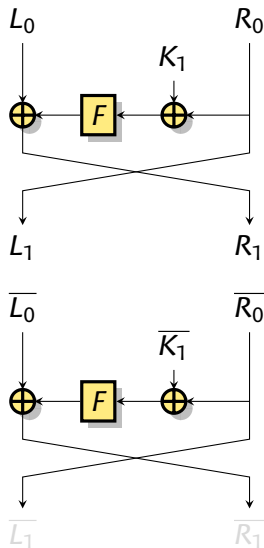
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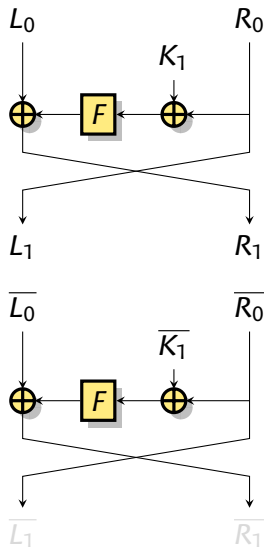
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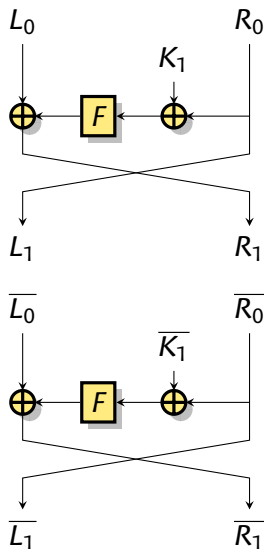
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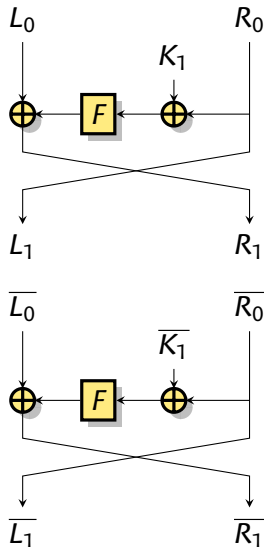


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 - ▶ Improved herding attack on the hash function.

- ▶ Related key differential attack on XTEA.
 - ▶ Attack on 36 rounds.
 - ▶ 50 rounds for a class of weak keys.

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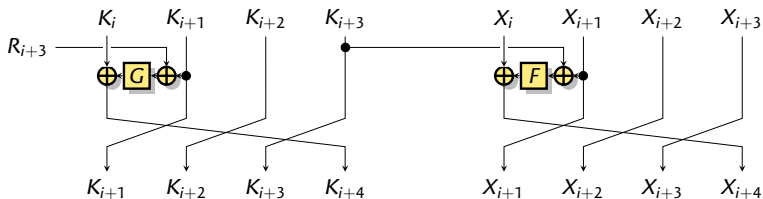
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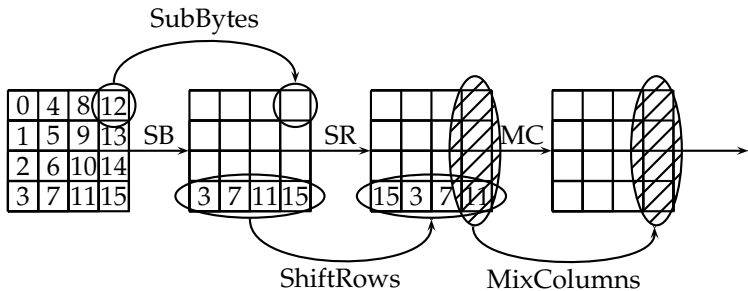


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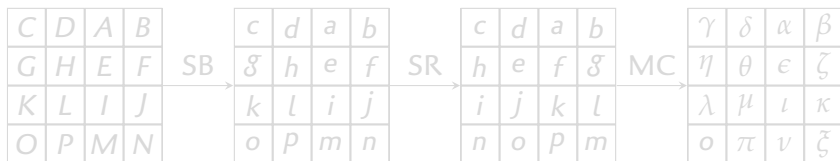
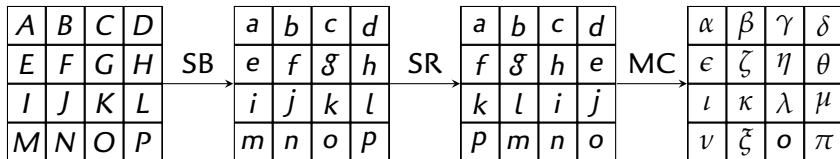
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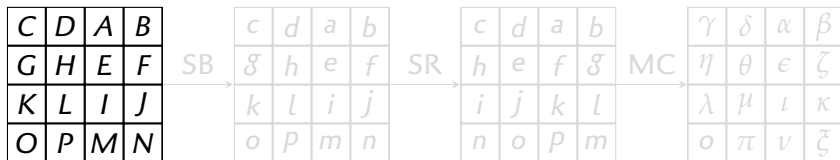
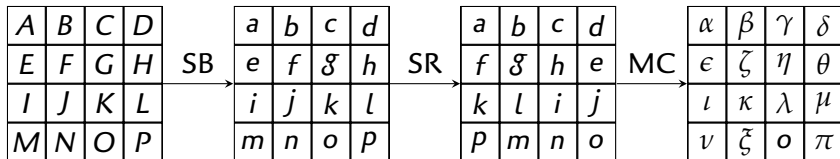
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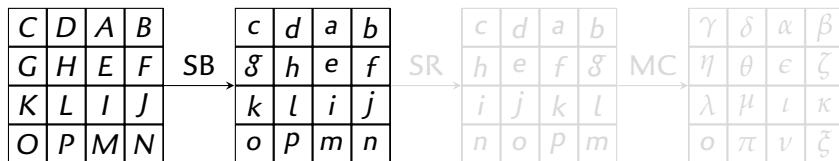
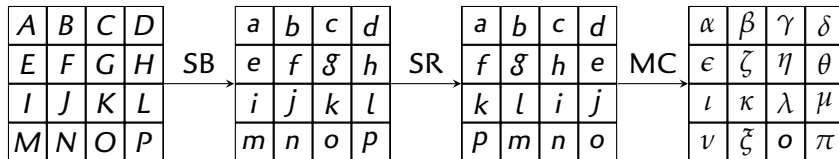
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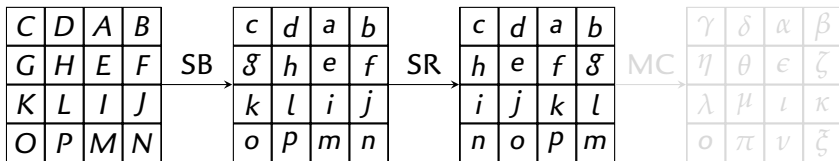
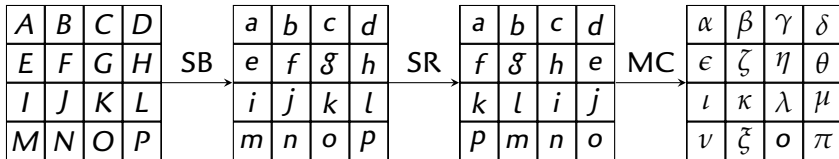
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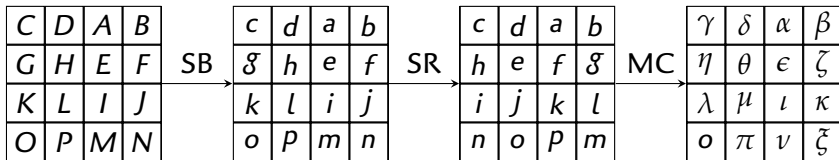
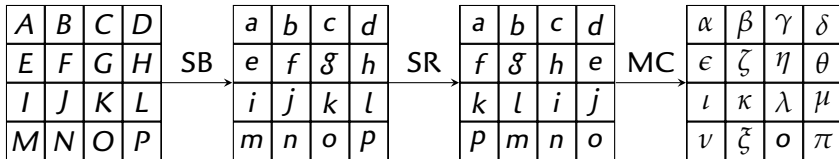
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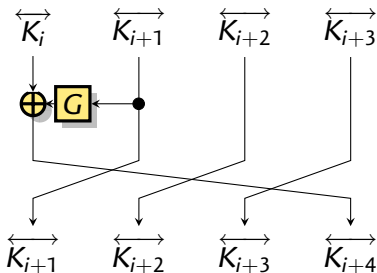


Some Interesting Properties of Lesamnta's F and G

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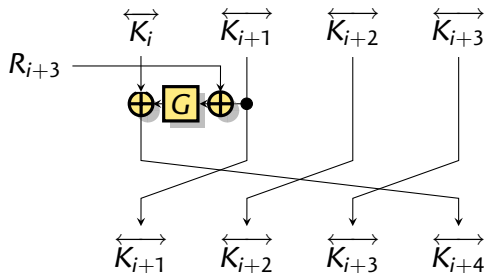
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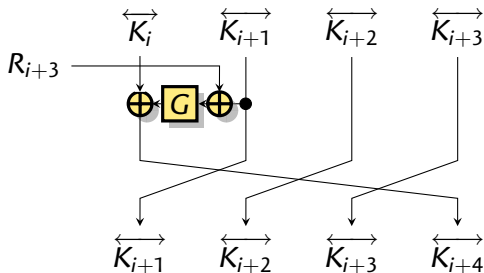
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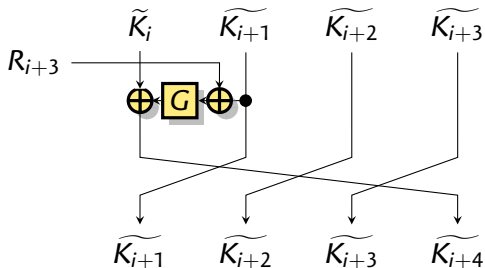
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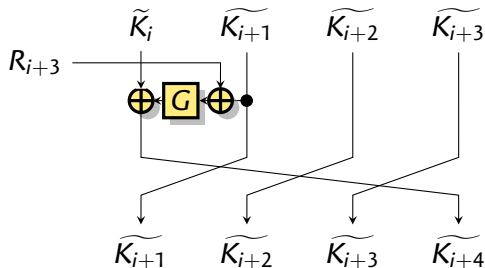
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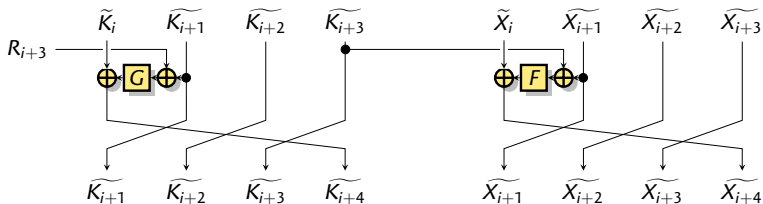
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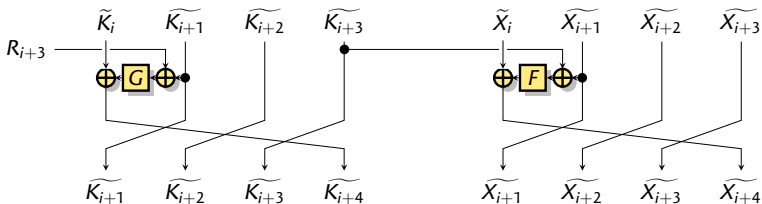
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XTEA

- ▶ Lightweight block cipher.
- ▶ Successor to TEA with a more complex key schedule to avoid RK.
- ▶ Feistel Design
- ▶ Implemented in the Linux kernel



David Wheeler, Roger Needham

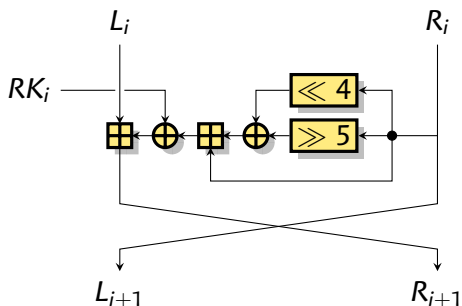
Tea extensions

Technical report, 1997

XTEA

```
void encipher(int num_rounds, u32 v[2], u32 const k[4]) {
    int i;
    u32 v0=v[0], v1=v[1], sum=0, delta=0x9E3779B9;
    for (i=0; i < num_rounds; i++) {
        v0 += (((v1 << 4) ^ (v1 >> 5)) + v1)
            ^ (sum + k[sum & 3]);
        sum += delta;
        v1 += (((v0 << 4) ^ (v0 >> 5)) + v0)
            ^ (sum + k[(sum>>11) & 3]);
    }
    v[0]=v0; v[1]=v1;
}
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XTEA



$$L_{i+1} = R_i$$

$$R_{i+1} = L_i \boxplus (F(R_i) \oplus RK_i)$$

▶ $F(x) = ((x \ll 4) \oplus (x \gg 5)) \boxplus x$

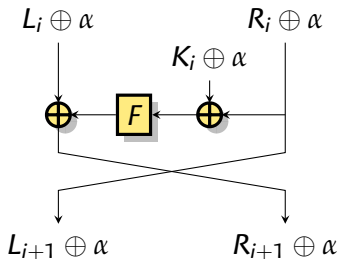
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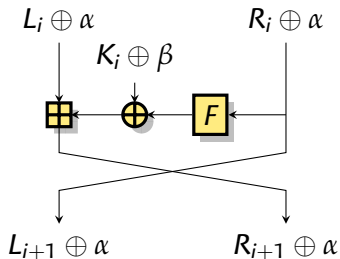
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▶ 64 rounds

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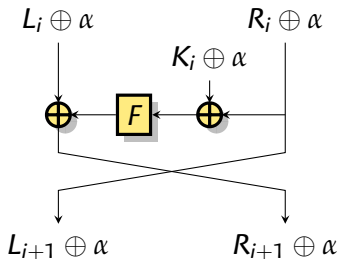
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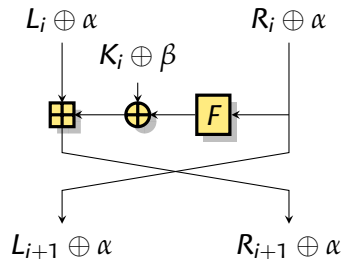
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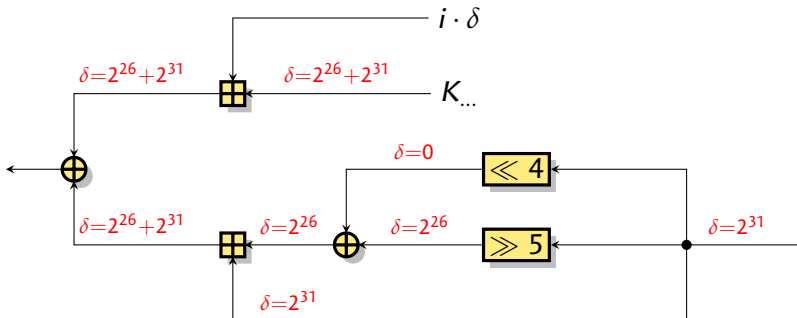
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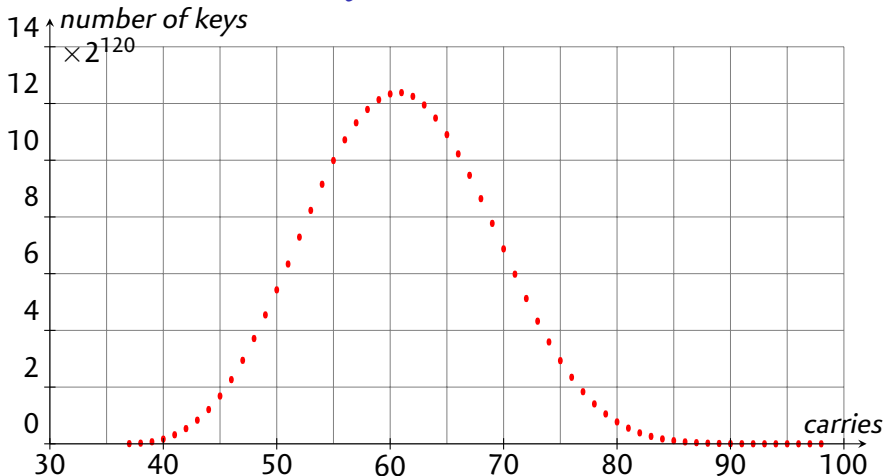
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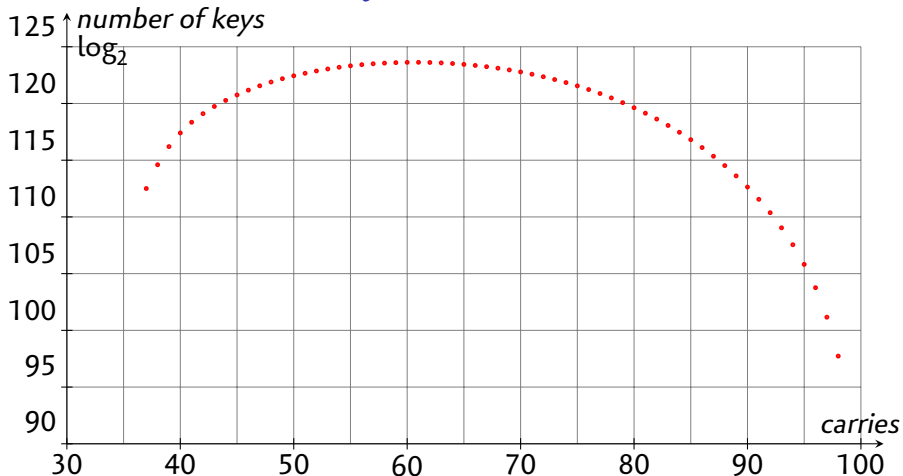
- ▶ Modular differences
- ▶ With prob. $1/3$, the XOR-difference is the same
- ▶ For a given key, we can compute the XOR-difference
 - ▶ $p = 2^{-1}$ if no carries
 - ▶ $p = 2^{-1-c}$ if c carries.

Key Distribution



- ▶ number of keys with a given prob. (rounds 20–50)
- ▶ 48% of the keys have less than 60 carries

Key Distribution



- ▶ number of keys with a given prob. (rounds 20–50) (\log_2)
- ▶ Some keys have only 37 carries

36 Rounds Attack

- ▶ Consider rounds 20–55
- ▶ Rounds 51–55 only use K_2 and K_3
- ▶ Take 2^{62} message pairs
- ▶ Partial decrypt by guessing K_2 and K_3
 - ▶ If the key is in the 48% weak keys, at least one good pair for 20–50
 - ▶ Good pair gives carry pattern
- ▶ If it fails, then the key is not in the weak class
 - ▶ 52 % of the keyspace remaining.
- ▶ Complexity:

Rounds	Data	Time
36	2^{62}	2^{127}
37	$2^{64-\epsilon}$	2^{127}

50 Rounds Attack for Weak Keys

- ▶ Consider rounds 10–59
- ▶ Rounds 56–59 only use K_0 and K_1
- ▶ There is a class of weak keys with 60 carries in 10–55
 - ▶ $2^{107.5}$ weak keys out of 2^{128}
- ▶ Complexity
 - ▶ Data 2^{62}
 - ▶ Time 2^{126}
- ▶ Recent improvement (WiP)
 - ▶ 53 rounds
 - ▶ Data 2^{62}
 - ▶ Time 2^{99}

ESSENCE

- ▶ First round SHA-3 candidate
- ▶ Merkle-Damgård with a Davies-Meyer compression function
- ▶ Shift-Register based design

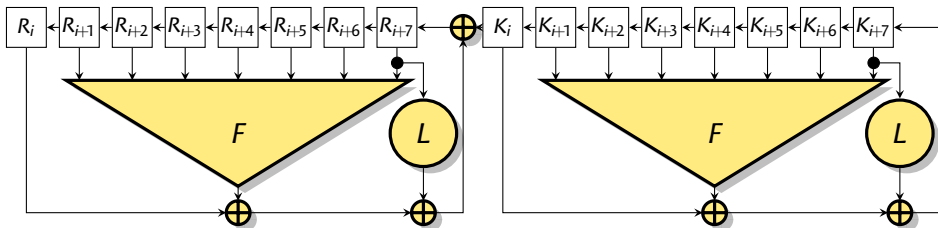


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- ▶ 32 rounds.
- ▶ Message loaded to K_{-7}, \dots, K_0 .
- ▶ Chaining value loaded to R_{-7}, \dots, R_0 .
- ▶ F is non-linear bit-wise.
- ▶ L is linear based on a LFSR.

Self-similarity property in ESSENCE

- ▶ Since L is LFSR based, a rotation can give a slide
 - ▶ $\text{LFSR}(x \lll 1) = \text{LFSR}(x) \lll 1$ with prob. $1/4$
- ▶ L is the only non-bitwise operation.
 - ▶ $\text{ESSENCE-round}(R \lll 1, K \lll 1) = \text{ESSENCE-round}(R, K) \lll 1$ with prob. $1/4$
- ▶ $\text{CF}(H \lll 1, M \lll 1) = \text{CF}(H, M) \lll 1$ with prob. 2^{-128}
 - ▶ We can construct a good pair for a cost of 2^{48}

Conclusion

- ▶ Sometimes, a simple relation can go through a function
- ▶ The constant are used to avoid this...
 - ▶ But sometimes the constants are weak
- ▶ Nice properties when the self-similarity relations have fixed points.