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SILVER: Statistical Independence and Leakage Verification



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Motivation

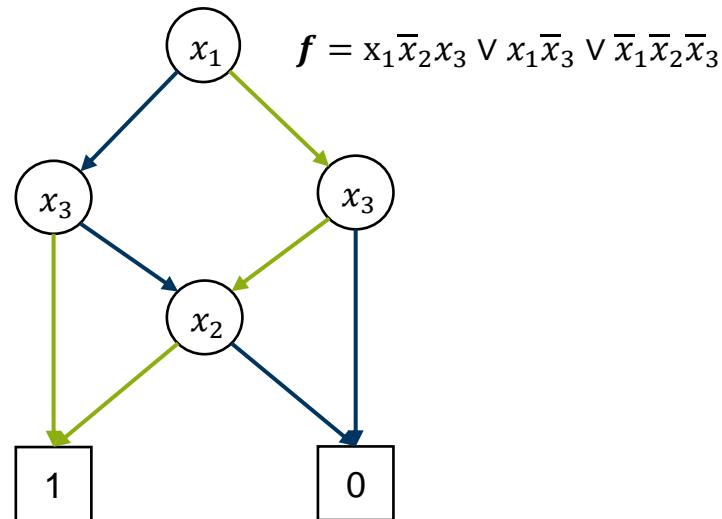
Problem

- **Fragmented view on security notions of masked implementations**
- **Tool with a wide feature range: maskVerif**
 - **Language-based** → not in direct conformity with security notions

Goal

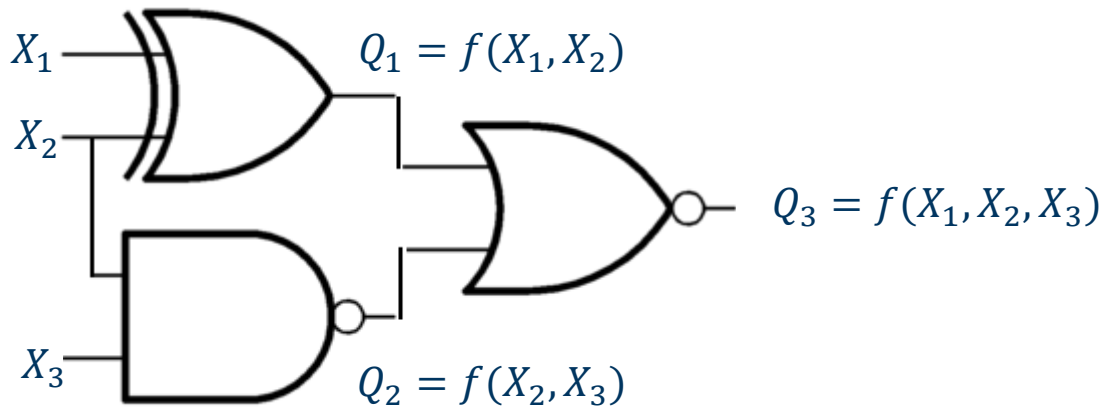
- **Building a sound and complete verification tool**

- **Reduced Ordered Binary Decision Diagram**
- **Ordered:** Every path from root to leaf traverses every variable only once and in the same order
- **Reduced:** No isomorphic subtrees and no redundant nodes



Canonical representation of a boolean function $f: F_2^n \rightarrow F_2$

- Wires of a circuit can be seen as binary random variables
- These wires are functions of the input
- Can be efficiently represented as ROBDD



- **Two Events A, B:** $\Pr[A \wedge B] = \Pr[A] \times \Pr[B]$
- **Two Random Variables:** $\Pr[X = x \wedge Y = y] = \Pr[X = x] \times \Pr[Y = y] \forall x, y$

Statistical Independence of Two Binary Random Variables

- **One can show that for $X \in \mathbb{F}_2, Y \in \mathbb{F}_2$:**
 - X and Y are stat. independent $\Leftrightarrow \Pr[X = 1 \wedge Y = 1] = \Pr[X = 1] \times \Pr[Y = 1]$
- **Simplifies verification to check of one event combination instead of four**

Statistical Independence of Joint Distributions over Binary Random Variables

- **We showed that for $X \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$, $Y \in \mathbb{F}_2^m$:**
 - X and Y are stat. independent $\Leftrightarrow \forall X' \subseteq X, Y' \subseteq Y: \Pr[X' = (1, \dots, 1) \wedge Y' = (1, \dots, 1)] = \Pr[X' = (1, \dots, 1)] \times \Pr[Y' = (1, \dots, 1)]$
 - Example: $X = (X_1, X_2), Y = (Y_1, Y_2)$
 - $\Pr[X_i = 1 \wedge Y_j = 1] \stackrel{?}{=} \Pr[X_i = 1] \times \Pr[Y_j = 1]$
 - $\Pr[X_i = 1 \wedge Y = (1,1)] \stackrel{?}{=} \Pr[X_i = 1] \times \Pr[Y = (1,1)]$
 - $\Pr[Y_i = 1 \wedge X = (1,1)] \stackrel{?}{=} \Pr[Y_i = 1] \times \Pr[X = (1,1)]$
 - $\Pr[Y = (1,1) \wedge X = (1,1)] \stackrel{?}{=} \Pr[Y = (1,1)] \times \Pr[X = (1,1)]$

Background

Reduction to Check of Binary Random Variables

- $\Pr[\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, X_2) = (1, 1, 1)] = \Pr[\underbrace{X_1 X_2 X_2}_{= 1} = 1]$

simple binary random variable

- **We reduced the check of independence for *joint distribution of random variables* to the check of *simple binary random variables***
 - *Can be efficiently realized utilizing ROBDDs*

Application to Formal Verification of Masked Implementation

Approach

- **Redefine common security notions by the means of statistical independence of joint distributions over binary random variables**
- **Check this independence utilizing BDDs**

Application to Formal Verification of Masked Implementation

ISW d-probing security

- **Unshared function with multiple sensitive inputs, for example: (X, Y, Z)**
- **Every set of probes $Q = (Q_1, Q_2, \dots, Q_d)$ on wires of the shared circuit:**
 - Q is independent of (X, Y, Z)



joint distributions of binary random variables \Rightarrow utilizing ROBDDs

Application to Formal Verification of Masked Implementation

d-Non-Interference

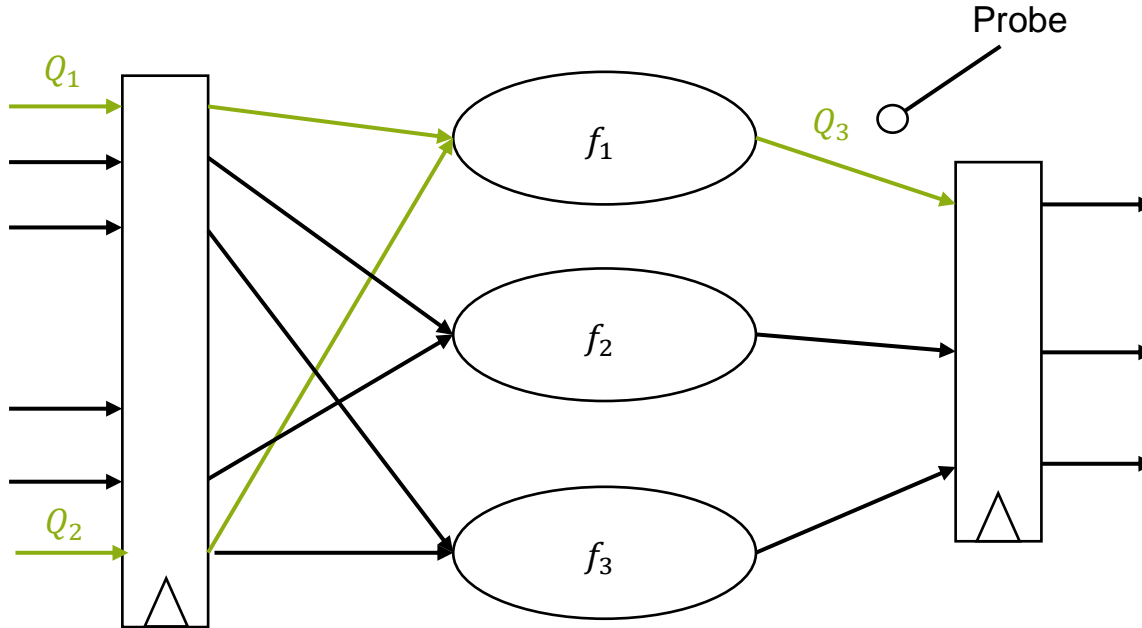
- **Idea:** For each set of probes $Q = (Q_1, Q_2, \dots, Q_d)$ on the circuit, there must exist a simulation set S of input shares and restricted to max. d shares per input, s.t. Q is perfectly simulatable using S .
- **Translated into probability distributions:**
 - $Pr[Q|S] = Pr[Q|Sh(X)]$ where $Sh(X)$ consists of all the shared inputs
- **If all input shares are i.i.d. this simplifies to:**
 - Independence of $(Q \cup S)$ and $Sh(X) \setminus S$



joint distributions of binary random variables \Rightarrow utilizing ROBDDs

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Glitch-Extended Probes

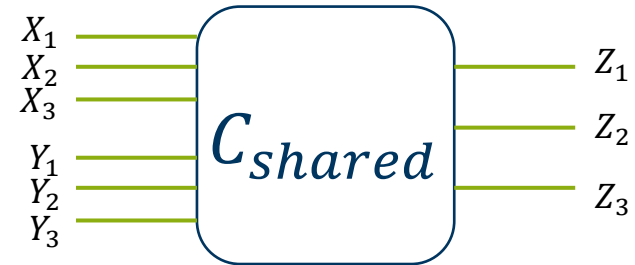


$$Q = \{Q_3\} \Rightarrow Q_{extended} = \{Q_1, Q_2\}$$

Application to Formal Verification of Masked Implementation

Uniformity (Single Unshared Output Example, 3 Shares)

- **Uniformity:** $Pr[(Z_1 = z_1, Z_2 = z_2, Z_3 = z_3) \mid Z = z] = p,$
if $z = z_1 \oplus z_2 \oplus z_3$, else 0
- **We showed, that instead we can check:**
 - $(Z_1, Z_2), (Z_1, Z_3), (Z_2, Z_3)$ are each balanced
- **Reduces uniformity check to balancedness verification of (joint) output shares**



We generalized this approach even for multiple unshared outputs.

Application to Formal Verification of Masked Implementation

Uniformity

- $Z = (Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_m)$ is balanced iff each component function is balanced.




binary random variable \Rightarrow utilizing ROBDDS

Supported Security Notions

Overview

- **d-probing security**
- **d-Non-Interference (d-NI)**
- **d-Strong-Non-Interference (d-SNI)**
- **d-Probe-Isolating-Non-Interference (d-PINI)**
- **Output Uniformity**



**standard (software)
and
glitch-extended (hardware)**

Program Flow: SILVER

Overview



- **Netlist is in self-defined format**
- **Result contains for each supported security Notion:**
 - **Security order d**
 - **First failing probe for order $(d+1)$**

Table of Tested Designs:

Scheme	Pos. [†]	d	Probing		NI		SNI		PINI		Unif.
			std.	rob.	std.	rob.	std.	rob.	std.	rob.	
Gadgets											
DOM [29]	19	1	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
DOM [29]	42	2	✓[3 ms]	✓[4 ms]	✓[6 ms]	✓[19 ms]	✓[8 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
DOM [29]	74	3	✓[98 ms]	✓[1.2 s]	✓[2.2 s]	✓[23.7 s]	✓[3.2 s]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
DOM SNI [26]	21	1	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
DOM SNI [26]	45	2	✓[3 ms]	✓[5 ms]	✓[6 ms]	✓[30 ms]	✓[7 ms]	✓[29 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
DOM SNI [26]	78	3	✓[0.1 s]	✓[1.5 s]	✓[2.4 s]	✓[39.4 s]	✓[3.7 s]	✓[39.4 s]	✗[0.0 s]	✗[0.0 s]	✓[0.0 s]
PARA1 [5]	22	1	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
PARA2 [5]	45	2	✓[3 ms]	✓[6 ms]	✓[5 ms]	✓[32 ms]	✓[8 ms]	✓[37 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
PARA3 [5]	68	3	✓[61 ms]	✓[0.5 s]	✓[1.2 s]	✓[12.1 s]	✗[0.6 s]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
PARA3 SNI [5]	82	3	✓[0.2 s]	✓[1.4 s]	✓[2.8 s]	✓[35.5 s]	✓[4.1 s]	✓[40.4 s]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
PINI1 [17]	21	1	✓[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
PINI2 [17]	51	2	✓[7 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[10 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[12 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[22 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
HPC1 [16]	22	1	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
HPC1 [16]	52	2	✓[5 ms]	✓[7 ms]	✓[7 ms]	✓[23 ms]	✓[9 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[16 ms]	✓[46 ms]	✓[0 ms]
HPC2 [16]	32	1	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
HPC2 [16]	75	2	✓[6 ms]	✓[12 ms]	✓[11 ms]	✓[37 ms]	✓[13 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[19 ms]	✓[61 ms]	✓[0 ms]
ISW SNI REF [26]	26	1	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
ISW SNI REF [26]	65	2	✓[5 ms]	✓[8 ms]	✓[7 ms]	✓[36 ms]	✓[9 ms]	✓[34 ms]	✓[16 ms]	✓[59 ms]	✓[0 ms]
CMS3 [36]	104	3	✗[0.1 s]	✗[0.3 s]	✗[0.8 s]	✗[2.6 s]	✗[1.3 s]	✗[4.4 s]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
UMA2 [36]	81	2	✗[2 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[7 ms]	✗[4 ms]	✗[6 ms]	✗[3 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
DOM2 DEP [‡] [36]	56	2	✓[4 ms]	✗[8 ms]	✓[3 ms]	✗[20 ms]	✓[4 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[4 ms]	✗[21 ms]	✓[0 ms]

Table of Tested Designs (continued):

S-boxes											
PRESENT _{TI} [40]	177	2	✓[4 ms]	✓[8 ms]	✗[4 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[3 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[2 ms]
PRESENT _{TI} [25]	377	2	✓[15 ms]	✓[6 ms]	✗[2 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[2 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[1 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
PRESENT _{TI} [25]	161	2	✗[3 ms]	✗[4 ms]	✗[32 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[26 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[2 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]
PRINCE _{TI} [37]	150	2	✓[2 ms]	✓[10 ms]	✗[2 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[2 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
PRINCE _{CMS} [14]	261	1	✓[3 ms]	✓[97 ms]	✓[7 ms]	✓[2.8 s]	✓[9 ms]	✗[1 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
SKINNY8 _{TI} [7]	240	2	✓[51.2 s]	✓[2 min]	✗[2 min]	✗[2.0 s]	✗[2 min]	✗[2.0 s]	✗[77 ms]	✗[1.3 s]	✓[29.6 s]
SKINNY8 _{CMS} [8]	192	1	✓[20 ms]	✓[0.3 s]	✗[0.3 s]	✗[17 ms]	✗[0.3 s]	✗[15 ms]	✗[1 ms]	✗[1 ms]	✓[1 ms]
AES _{DOM} [29]	884	1	✓[3.3 s]	✓[21 min]	✗[0.8 s]	✗[0.4 s]	✗[0.8 s]	✗[0.4 s]	✗[0.2 s]	✗[40 ms]	✓[0.1 s]
AES _{CMS} [19]	938	1	✓[9.4 s]	✓[2.9 h]	✗[0.9 s]	✗[0.5 s]	✗[0.9 s]	✗[0.5 s]	✗[0.2 s]	✗[42 ms]	✓[1.8 s]
Functions											
A _{in} [37]	18	1	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
A _m [37]	20	1	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
A _{out} [37]	20	1	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]
Q ₁₂ ⁴ [42]	48	1	✓[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✗[0 ms]	✓[0 ms]

† Number of possible probe positions, i.e., output wires of gates. ‡ Assuming identical inputs, i.e., $a = b$.

Advantage of Avoiding False Negatives

 Q_{12}^4 :

$$x_1 = F_1(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) = a_1$$

$$x_2 = F_2(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) = a_2$$

$$y_1 = G_1(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) = a_1 c_1 \oplus b_1$$

$$y_2 = G_2(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) = a_1 c_2$$

$$y_3 = G_3(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) = a_2 c_1 \oplus b_2$$

$$y_4 = G_4(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) = a_2 c_2$$

$$z_1 = H_1(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) = a_1 b_1 \oplus a_1 c_1 \oplus c_1$$

$$z_2 = H_2(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) = a_1 b_2 \oplus a_1 c_2$$

$$z_3 = H_3(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) = a_2 b_1 \oplus a_2 c_1$$

$$z_4 = H_4(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) = a_2 b_2 \oplus a_2 c_2 \oplus c_2$$

$$t_1 = K_1(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) = d_1$$

$$t_2 = K_2(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) = d_2$$

$$\bar{x}_1 = x_1$$

$$\bar{x}_2 = x_2$$

$$\bar{y}_1 = y_1 \oplus y_2$$

$$\bar{y}_2 = y_3 \oplus y_4$$

$$\bar{z}_1 = z_1 \oplus z_2$$

$$\bar{z}_2 = z_3 \oplus z_4$$

$$\bar{t}_1 = t_1$$

$$\bar{t}_2 = t_2$$

Reparaz, O., Bilgin, B., Nikova, S., Gierlichs, B., Verbauwhede, I.: Consolidating Masking Schemes.

Advantages

- **Completeness: SILVER supports all established security and composability notions**
- **Soundness: Due to direct conformity to the security notions, SILVER avoids false negatives and thus avoids introducing unnecessary overhead into the design.**
- **Returning failing probe: Knowing which probe fails to fulfill the security notion allows an easier fix of masked design.**

Disadvantages

- **Due to direct conformity with security notions, SILVER is slower than language-based approaches (like for example maskVerif).**

Demo

With SILVER, we developed an easy-to-use tool for sound and complete verification of the security and composability of masked Implementations.

Additional Information

Tool:

- <https://github.com/Chair-for-Security-Engineering/SILVER>

ePrint Link:

- <https://eprint.iacr.org/2020/634/20200629:134004>

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Thank you!

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