

# Single-Trace Side-Channel Attacks on the Toom-Cook

## The Case Study of Saber

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# Overview

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# Toom-Cook

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- Toom-Cook algorithm
  - A divide-and-conquer approach to implementing polynomial multiplication
- Toom-Cook- $k$ 
  - $k$  segments to form a  $k - 1$  degree polynomial containing  $k$  coefficients
  - Karatsuba algorithm, a special form of Toom-Cook-2 algorithm
- NTRU-Prime and Saber

# Toom-Cook-4

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- $A(x)$  and  $B(x)$ :  $n$ -degree polynomials
  - $A(x) = a_{n-1} \cdot x^{n-1} + a_{n-2} \cdot x^{n-2} + \dots + a_0$
  - $B(x) = b_{n-1} \cdot x^{n-1} + b_{n-2} \cdot x^{n-2} + \dots + b_0$
- The parameter  $n = 256$  and  $k = 4$ 
  - $A(x) = A_3 \cdot x^{64 \cdot 3} + A_2 \cdot x^{64 \cdot 2} + A_1 \cdot x^{64} + A_0$
  - $B(x) = B_3 \cdot x^{64 \cdot 3} + B_2 \cdot x^{64 \cdot 2} + B_1 \cdot x^{64} + B_0$ 
    - \*  $A_3 = a_{255} \cdot x^{63} + \dots + a_{192}$ ,  $A_2 = a_{191} \cdot x^{63} + \dots + a_{128}$
    - \*  $A_1 = a_{127} \cdot x^{63} + \dots + a_{64}$ ,  $A_0 = a_{63} \cdot x^{63} + \dots + a_0$
- Define  $x^{64} = y$ 
  - $A(y) = A_3 \cdot y^3 + A_2 \cdot y^2 + A_1 \cdot y + A_0$
  - $B(y) = B_3 \cdot y^3 + B_2 \cdot y^2 + B_1 \cdot y + B_0$

# Toom-Cook-4

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- $C(p_i) = A(p_i) \cdot B(p_i)$

- $p_0 = 0, p_1 = 1/2, p_2 = -1/2, p_3 = 1, p_4 = -1, p_5 = 2, p_6 = \infty$

- $$\begin{bmatrix} C_0 \\ C_1 \\ \vdots \\ C_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (p_0)^0 & (p_0)^1 & \cdots & (p_0)^6 \\ (p_1)^0 & (p_1)^1 & \cdots & (p_1)^6 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ (p_6)^0 & (p_6)^1 & \cdots & (p_6)^6 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} C(p_0) \\ C(p_1) \\ \vdots \\ C(p_6) \end{bmatrix}$$

- $C(y) = C_6 \cdot y^6 + C_5 \cdot y^5 + \cdots + C_0$

# Toom-Cook in Saber

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void indcpa_kem_dec(const uint8_t sk[], const uint8_t ciphertext[], uint8_t m[])
1. BS2POLVECq(sk, s); BS2POLVECp(ciphertext, b);
2. InnerProd(b, s, v);
3. /*processing results*/
void InnerProd(const uint16_t b[][] , const uint16_t s[][] , uint16_t res[])
1. for (j = 0; j < SABER_L; j++) poly_mul_acc(b[j], s[j], res);
void poly_mul_acc(const uint16_t a[], const uint16_t b[], uint16_t res[])
1. toom_cook_4way(a, b, c);
static void toom_cook_4way(const uint16_t *a1, const uint16_t *b1, uint16_t *result)
1. Split a1 to A0, A1, A2, A3; Split b1 to B0, B1, B2, B3;
2. Calculate 7 points //Evaluation
aw1=A3; bw1=B3;
aw2=8A3+4A2+2A1+A0; bw2=8B3+4B2+2B1+B0;
aw3=A0+A2+A1+A3; bw3=B0+B2+B1+B3;
aw4=A0+A2-(A1+A3); bw4=B0+B2-(B1+B3);
aw5=8A0+2A2+4A1+A3; bw5=8B0+2B2+4B1+B3;
aw6=8A0+2A2-(4A1+A3); bw6=8B0+2B2-(4B1+B3);
aw7=A0; bw7=B0;
3. karatsuba_simple(aw1, bw1, w1);...; karatsuba_simple(aw7, bw7, w7); //MULTIPLICATION
4. /*INTERPOLATION*/
static void karatsuba_simple(const uint16_t *a_1, const uint16_t *b_1, uint16_t *result_final)
1. for (i = 0; i < 16; i++)
2. acc1=a_1[i]; acc2=a_1[i+16]; acc3=a_1[i+32]; acc4=a_1[i+48];
3. for (j = 0; j < 16; j++)
4. acc5=b_1[j]; acc6=b_1[j+16];
5. result_final[i+j]=result_final[i+j]+OVERFLOWING_MUL(acc1, acc5);
6. /*The same method to calculate the 9 multiplications in 2-level Karatsuba*/
7. /*processing the results*/
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# Vulnerabilities Analysis

- Incomplete key recovery
  - Its intermediate values depend on the known ciphertext and unknown secret key.
  - Reveal the first and last  $\frac{1}{k}$  of private-key coefficients
- Indistinguishable guessing keys

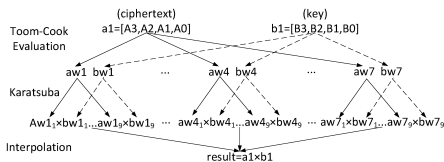


Figure: The dataflow of Toom-Cook multiplication in Saber.

		guessing key						
		1	2	3	8188	8189	8190	8191
correct key	1	1	1	0.48	0.75	0.14	0.75	0.74
	2	1	1	0.48	0.75	0.14	0.75	0.74
	3	0.48	0.48	1	0.33	0.79	0.33	0.33
	8188	0.75	0.75	0.33	1	0.42	0.99	0.99
	8189	0.14	0.14	0.79	0.42	1	0.42	0.43
	8190	0.75	0.75	0.33	0.99	0.42	1	0.99
	8191	0.74	0.74	0.33	0.99	0.43	0.99	1

Figure: The Pearson's correlation coefficient among different guessing keys.

# Soft-analytical side-channel attack (SASCA)

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- Factor graphs

- Variables nodes by circles
- Factor nodes by squares (two groups)
  - \* Corresponds to the probabilities of the variables by observable side-channel leakages
  - \* Modeling the relationships between the variables nodes

- Belief propagation

- $u_{x_n \rightarrow f_m}(v_n) = \prod_{m' \in \mathcal{M}(x_n) \setminus m} u_{f_{m'} \rightarrow x_n}(v_n)$
- $u_{f_m \rightarrow x_n}(v_n) = \sum_{x_{m \setminus n}} (f_m(x_{m \setminus n}, v_n) \prod_{n' \in \mathcal{N}(f_m) \setminus n} u_{x_{n'} \rightarrow f_m}(v_{n'}))$

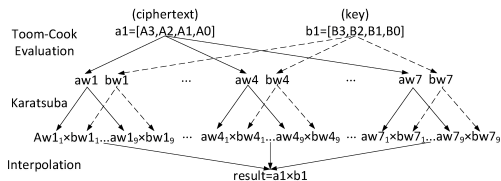


# SASCA on Toom-Cook

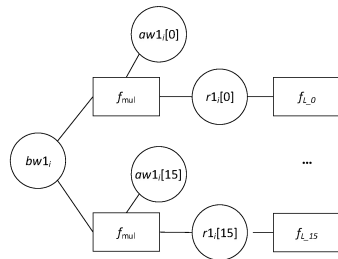
- Schoolbook multiplication with factor graph representation (SFG)

$$f_{mul}(aw1_i[0], bw1_i, r1_i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } r1_i[0] = OVERFLOWING\_MUL(aw1_i[0], bw1_i) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$f_{L_0} = Pr(r1_i[0] | L_0)$$



(a) aw and bw.



(b) SFG.

# SASCA on Toom-Cook

- Factor graph corresponding to Karatsuba (KFG)

$$- f_{add}^1(bw1_1, bw1_2, bw1_3) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } bw1_3 = bw1_1 + bw1_2 \text{ mod } q \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

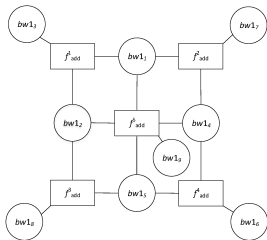


Figure: KFG.

$$bw1_1 = bw1_3$$

$$bw1_2 = bw1_2$$

$$bw1_3 = bw1_3 + bw1_2$$

$$bw1_4 = bw1_1$$

$$bw1_5 = bw1_0$$

$$bw1_6 = bw1_1 + bw1_0$$

$$bw1_7 = bw1_3 + bw1_1$$

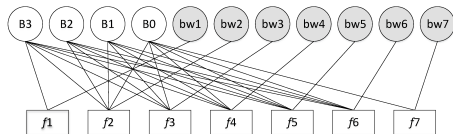
$$bw1_8 = bw1_2 + bw1_0$$

$$bw1_9 = bw1_3 + bw1_2 + bw1_1 + bw1_0$$

Figure: The 9 polynomials of degree 16.

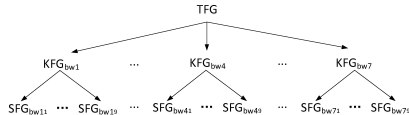
# SASCA on Toom-Cook

- Factor graph corresponding to Toom-Cook evaluation (TFG)
- The construction of the full algorithm



$$\begin{array}{ll}
 f_1(B_3, bw_1)=1 & \text{if } bw_1=B_3 \\
 f_2(B_3, B_2, B_1, B_0, bw_2)=1 & \text{if } bw_2=8B_3+4B_2+2B_1+B_0 \\
 f_3(B_3, B_2, B_1, B_0, bw_3)=1 & \text{if } bw_3=B_0+B_2+B_1+B_3 \\
 f_4(B_3, B_2, B_1, B_0, bw_4)=1 & \text{if } bw_4=B_0+B_2-(B_1+B_3) \\
 f_5(B_3, B_2, B_1, B_0, bw_5)=1 & \text{if } bw_5=8B_0+2B_2+4B_1+B_3 \\
 f_6(B_3, B_2, B_1, B_0, bw_6)=1 & \text{if } bw_6=8B_0+2B_2-(4B_1+B_3) \\
 f_7(B_0, bw_7)=1 & \text{if } bw_7=B_0
 \end{array}$$

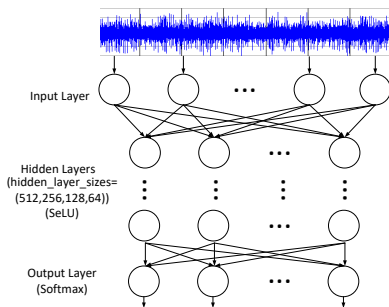
(a) TFG.



(b) Relationships.

# Decreasing the Number of Templates

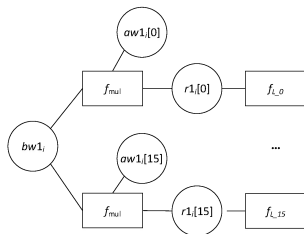
- Original templates:  $2^{16} \cdot 144$ ,  $f_{L_0} = Pr(r1_i[0] = v|I)$
- Hamming weight templates:  $7 \cdot 144 \cdot 17 = 17136$ ,  $f_{L_0} = Pr(HW(r1_i[0]) = HW(v)|I)$
- Deep Learning: MLP



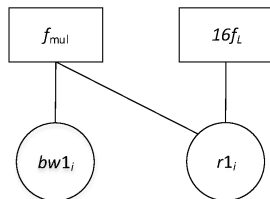
# Factor Graph Optimization

- Cost: influenced by the number of nodes and edges of factor graph
- $p(bw1_i) = p(bw1_i|t_0) \cdot p(bw1_i|t_1) \dots p(bw1_i|t_{15}) = p(bw1_i|t_0, \dots, t_{15}) \cdot \mathcal{C}$

$$\mathcal{C} = \frac{\sum_i ((\prod_j p(t_j|bw1'_i)) p(bw1'_i)) \prod_j p(bw1_i)}{\prod_j ((\sum_i p(t_j|bw1'_i)) p(bw1'_i))}$$



(c) Original SFG



(d) Bayes-based SFG

# Improving Belief Propagation

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- In LDPC, short cycles especially, cycles of length 4, influence the performance using the BP algorithm [Chung et al, 2006]
- Parity-check matrix

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{1} & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{1} & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{1} & 0 & \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

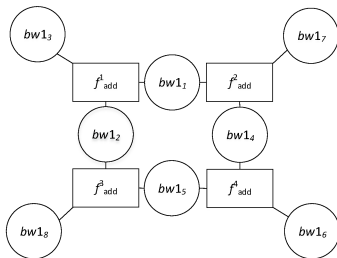


Kyuhyuk Chung and Jun Heo (2006)

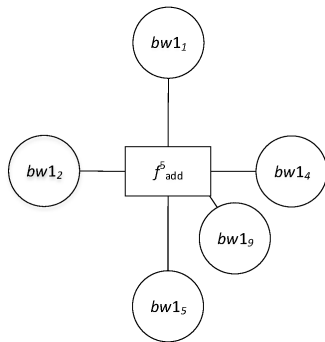
Improved Belief Propagation (BP) Decoding for LDPC Codes with a large number of short cycles  
*2006 IEEE 63rd Vehicular Technology Conference 3*, 1464 – 1466.

# Improving Belief Propagation

- Avoid those shortest cycles of length 4
- Two steps of BP



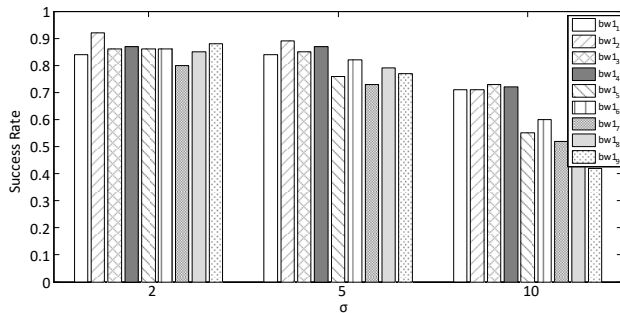
(e) First step of BP on the subgraph



(f) Second step of BP on the subgraph

# Evaluation

- Evaluate the success rates under different noise levels
- Success rates of attacking  $bw1_1, \dots, bw1_9$





# Evaluation

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- Evaluate the Bayes-based SFG

metric	method	<i>bw1</i>	<i>bw2</i>	<i>bw3</i>	<i>bw4</i>	<i>bw5</i>	<i>bw6</i>	<i>bw7</i>	<i>sum</i>
success rate	Original SFG	0.86	0.88	0.83	0.88	0.87	0.87	0.86	0.86
	Bayes-based SFG	0.86	0.88	0.83	0.88	0.87	0.87	0.86	0.86
time(s)	Original SFG	1.88	4.12	1.86	2.30	3.71	3.79	2.43	20.08
	Bayes-based SFG	0.10	2.68	0.47	0.49	2.66	2.81	0.09	9.30

# Evaluation

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- Evaluate the improved BP algorithm

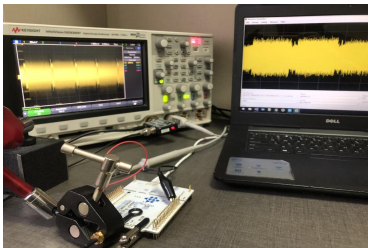
metric	success rate					
noise	2		5		10	
method	Original	Improved BP	Original	Improved BP	Original	Improved BP
<i>bw1_3</i>	0.84	0.94	0.81	0.95	0.71	0.81
<i>bw1_2</i>	0.92	0.94	0.80	0.94	0.71	0.80
<i>bw1_1</i>	0.86	0.97	0.68	0.97	0.73	0.87
<i>bw1_0</i>	0.87	0.94	0.67	0.95	0.72	0.78

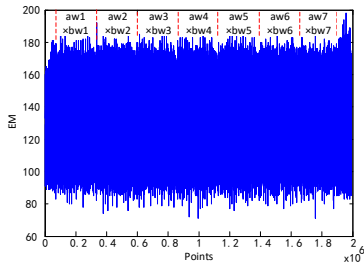
metric	time in seconds					
noise	2		5		10	
method	Original	Improved BP	Original	Improved BP	Original	Improved BP
time	0.12	0.07	0.18	0.07	0.13	0.06

# Evaluation

- The measured EM trace of implementation



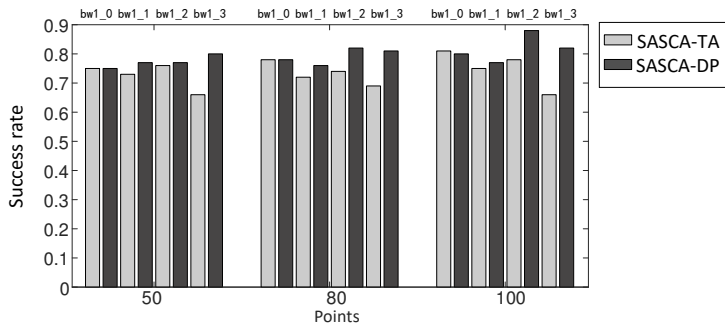
(g) Measurement setup.



(h) EM trace.

# Evaluation

- Evaluate the practical attacks with MLP



# Conclusion

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- Investigate the security of the Toom-Cook
- Single-trace attacks
- Optimized SASCA

**THANK YOU!**