

Rotational Cryptanalysis in the Presence of Constants

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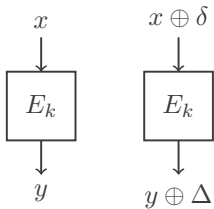
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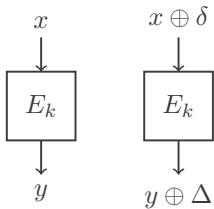
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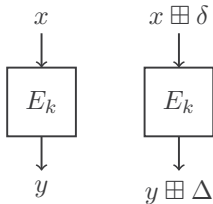


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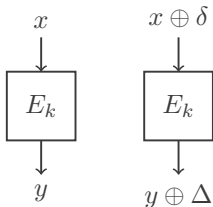


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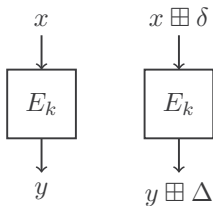


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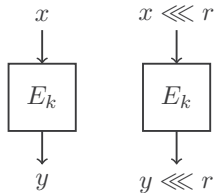
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[KN10]: D. Khovratovich, I. Nikolic: Rotational Cryptanalysis of ARX, FSE 2010

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[KNP+15]: D. Khovratovich, I. Nikolic, J. Pieprzyk, P. Sokolowski, R. Steinfeld:
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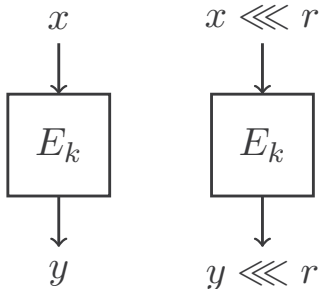
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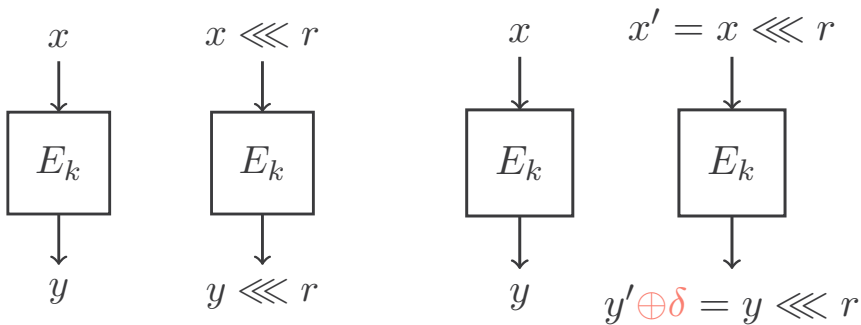
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equivalent to

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XOR

$$\begin{aligned}x, y &\xrightarrow{\oplus} x \oplus y \\ \overleftarrow{x} \oplus a, \overleftarrow{y} \oplus b &\xrightarrow{\oplus} \overleftarrow{x \oplus y} \oplus (a \oplus b) \\ \Rightarrow ((0, a), 1), ((0, b), 1) &\xrightarrow{\oplus} ((0, a \oplus b), 1)\end{aligned}$$

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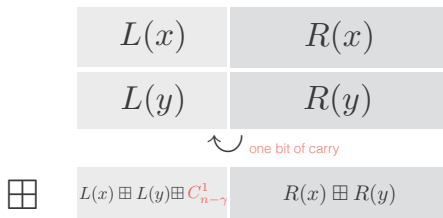
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γ bits γ bits

The addition of two variables:



proof continued

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Distribution of $C_{n-\gamma}^1$ and C_γ^2 , when $\gamma = 1$

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RX-difference through modular addition:

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[\overline{(x \oplus a_1) \boxplus (y \oplus b_1) \oplus \Delta_1} = (\overline{x} \oplus a_2) \boxplus (\overline{y} \oplus b_2) \oplus \Delta_2] \\ = 1_{(I \oplus SHL)(\delta_1 \oplus \delta_2 \oplus \delta_3) \oplus 1 \preceq SHL((\delta_1 \oplus \delta_3)|(\delta_2 \oplus \delta_3))} \cdot 2^{-|SHL((\delta_1 \oplus \delta_3)|(\delta_2 \oplus \delta_3))|} \cdot 2^{-3} \\ + 1_{(I \oplus SHL)(\delta_1 \oplus \delta_2 \oplus \delta_3) \preceq SHL((\delta_1 \oplus \delta_3)|(\delta_2 \oplus \delta_3))} \cdot 2^{-|SHL((\delta_1 \oplus \delta_3)|(\delta_2 \oplus \delta_3))|} \cdot 2^{-1.415}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\delta_1 = R(a_1) \oplus L'(a_2)$, $\delta_2 = R(b_1) \oplus L'(b_2)$, $\delta_3 = R(\Delta_1) \oplus L'(\Delta_2)$

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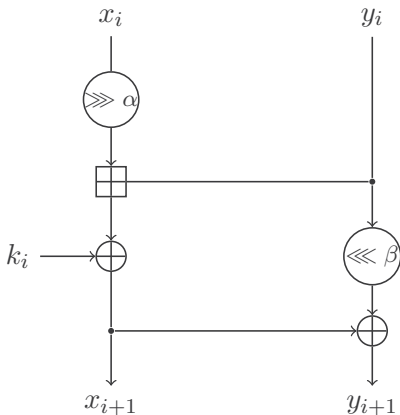
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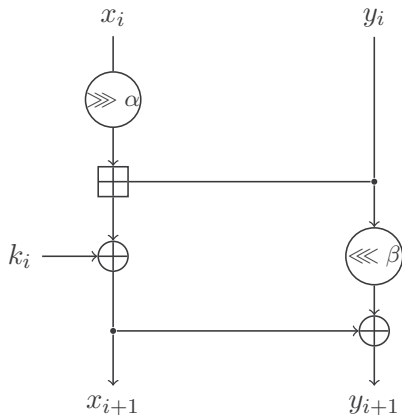
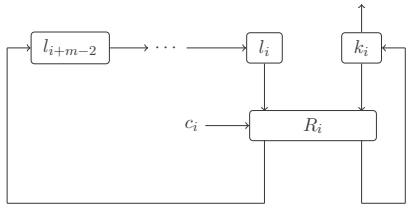
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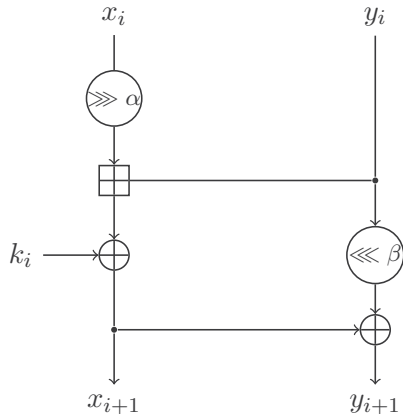
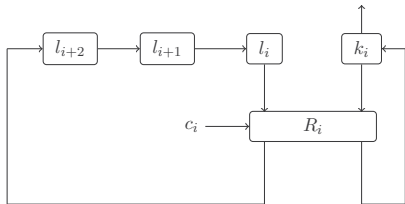
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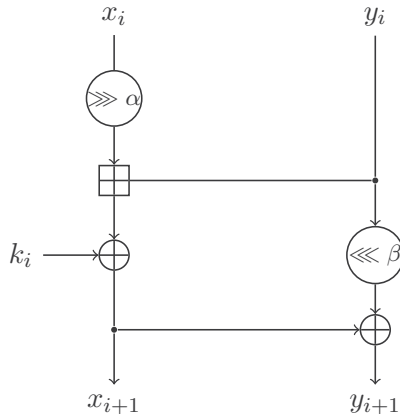
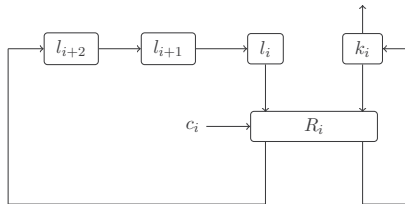


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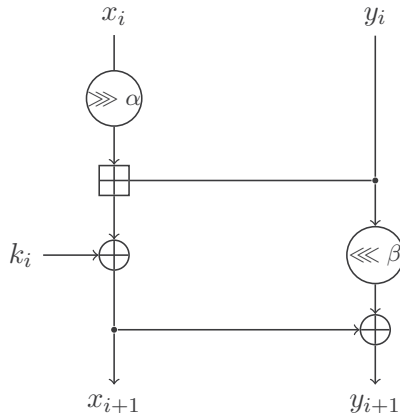
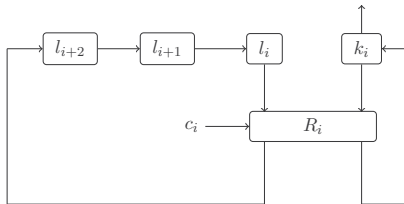


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An RX-characteristic in the keyschedule

Round	a_1	b_1	Δ_1	a_2	b_2	Δ_2	Predicted Prob.	Empirical Prob.	Accumulated Prob.
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	$2^{-1.415}$	$2^{-1.415}$	$2^{-1.415}$
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	$2^{-1.415}$	$2^{-1.415}$	$2^{-2.83}$
3	0	1	0	0	1	2	$2^{-2.415}$	$2^{-2.415}$	$2^{-5.245}$
4	0	2	6	0	0	8	$2^{-2.415}$	$2^{-2.415}$	$2^{-7.66}$
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Experimental probability: $2^{-25.046}$, leading to a weak-key class of size 2^{39}

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2	0, 0	3	3, 3	$2^{-4.245}$	$2^{-4.27}$
3	3, 3	4	607, 60B	$2^{-8.66}$	$2^{-8.68}$
4	607, 60B	11	40E, 1C22	$2^{-15.075}$	$2^{-15.01}$
5	40E, 1C22	1B8	3992, 491A	$2^{-21.49}$	$2^{-21.44}$
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