

A Fast Stream Cipher with Huge State Space and Quasigroup Filter for Software

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At the end of this talk, we propose a concrete instance: CryptMT ver. 3, which is one of the fastest stream ciphers among the candidates of eSTREAM phase 3.

2. Combined Generator

Here we treat a so-called combined generator, namely,

- an Automaton without input as a sequence generator (called Mother Generator, MG),
- an Automaton with input that transforms the sequence into a more secure stream (Filter, F)

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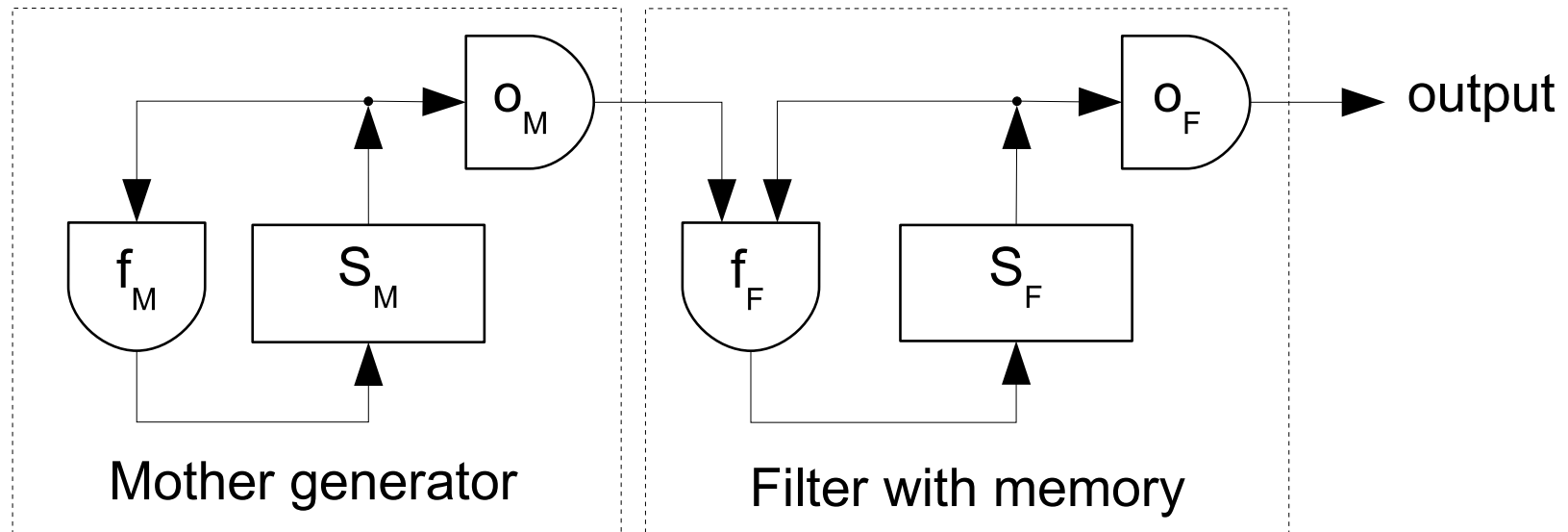
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2-3. Combination of two automata

A combined generator is the combination of two automata.



The combined generator can be regarded as an automaton with state space $S_M \times S_F$ without input.

This output is used for stream cipher.

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Mersenne Twister (MT, Matsumoto-Nishimura '97) and SIMD-oriented Fast Mersenne Twister (SFMT, Saito-Matsumoto '06) satisfy these conditions.

4. Equidistribution of automaton without input

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We consider k -tuple output function $o_M^{(k)}$:

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Remark: If M is an \mathbb{F}_2 -linear generator (this is our case), this coincides with surjectivity of $o_M^{(k)}$, hence computable.

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A function

$$f : X \times Y \rightarrow Z$$

is said to be **bi-bijective** if

$$f(-, y) : X \rightarrow Z, x \mapsto f(x, y)$$

is bijective for any fixed y , and so is

$$f(x, -) : Y \rightarrow Z, y \mapsto f(x, y)$$

for any fixed x . If $X = Y = Z$, this coincides with the notion of a quasigroup.

6. Theorems

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Theorem 1. If a combined generator has

- k -dimensionally equidistributed Mother Generator,
- quasigroup filter F ,
- uniform output function o_F of F ,

then the combined generator is $(k + 1)$ -dimensionally equidistributed. (Proof is easy)

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If

$$(\#(O_F))^{k+1} > q \cdot (\#(S_F))^2,$$

then the period of the output sequence of the combined generator is a nonzero multiple of Q .

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Theorem requires huge MG and smaller F.

CryptMT ver. 3 satisfies these conditions:

- $Q = 2^{19937} - 1$, $1 \leq q \leq 2^{31} - 1$,
- $k = 155$, $\#(S_F) = 2^{128}$, and $\#(O_F) \geq 2^2$.

7. Multiplicative Filter

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We choose

$$o_F : S_F \rightarrow O_F = \{0, 1\}^8$$

as the function taking the 8 MSBs from the 32-bit integer.

We used this filter in CryptMT ver. 1.

Example 2. Modified multiplicative filter

Through a bijection

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{Z}/2^{32} &\longrightarrow (\mathbb{Z}/2^{33})^\times \\ x &\longmapsto 2x + 1,\end{aligned}$$

$\mathbb{Z}/2^{32}$ has a group structure $\tilde{\times}$ induced from that of $(\mathbb{Z}/2^{33})^\times$:

$$\tilde{\times} : (x, y) \mapsto x \tilde{\times} y := 2xy + x + y \pmod{2^{32}}.$$

We can consider the corresponding multiplicative filter with $I_F = S_F = \mathbb{Z}/2^{32} = 32$ -bit integers.

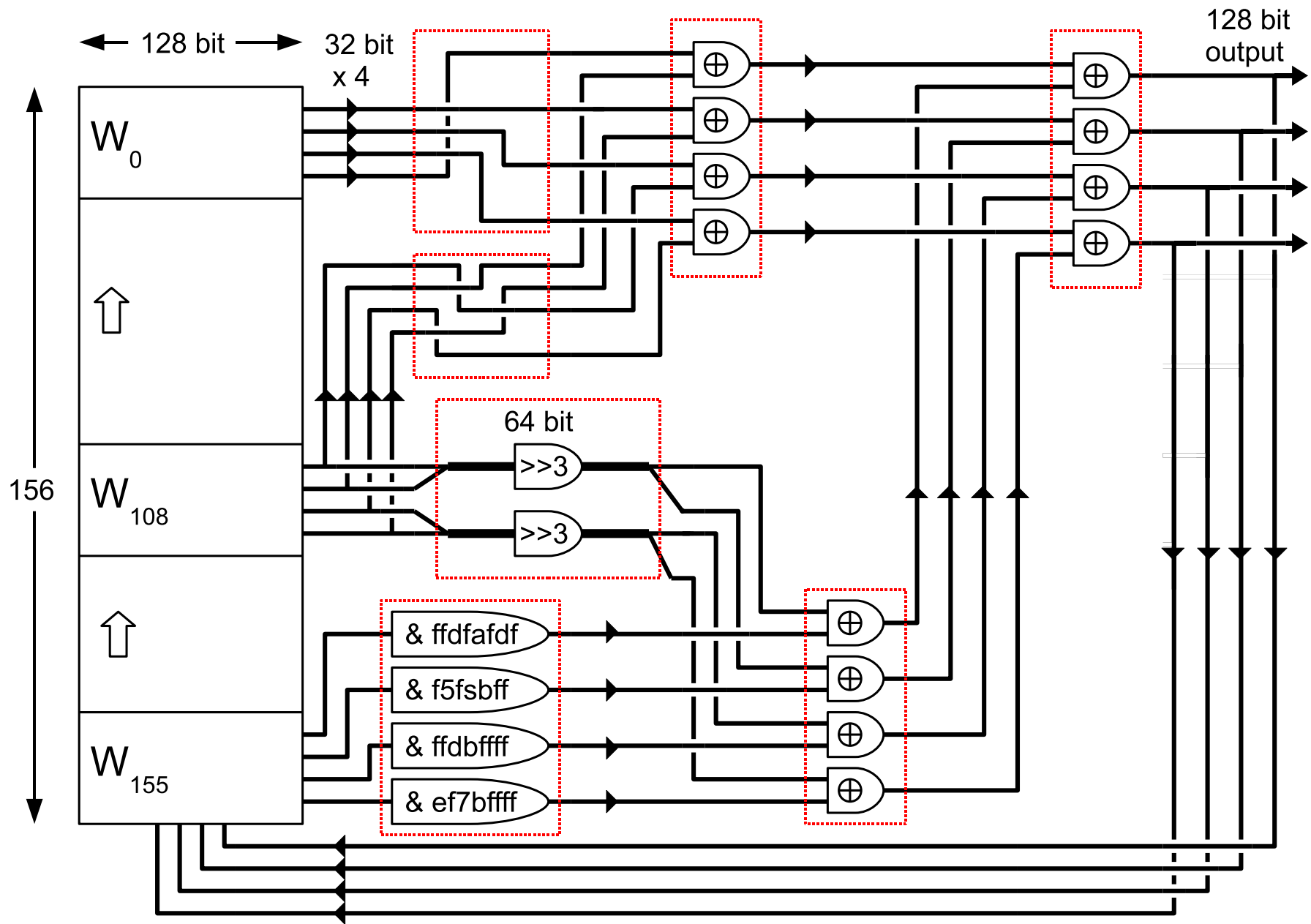
8. CryptMT version 3

CryptMT version 3 is such a combined generator.

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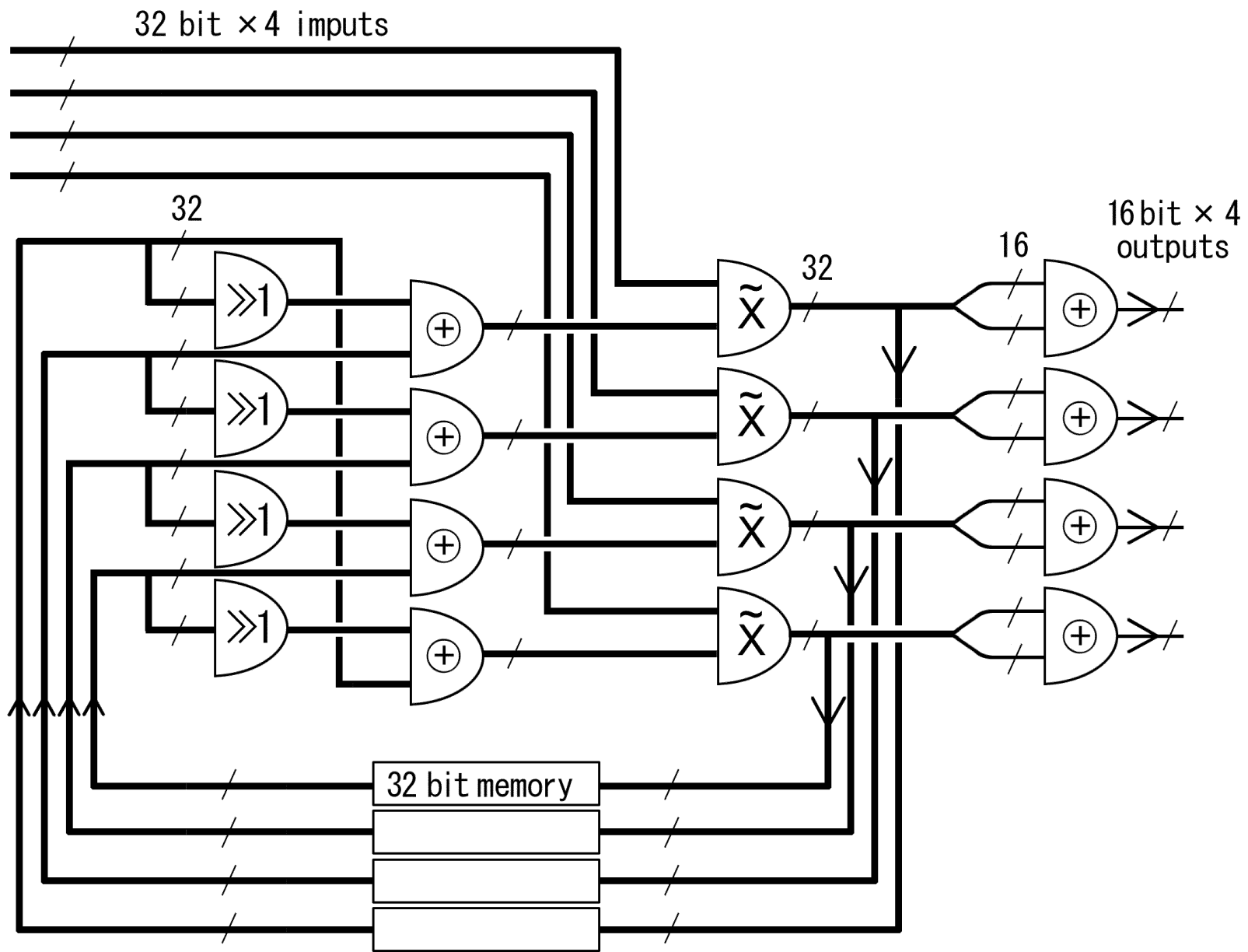
SIMD-oriented Fast Mersenne Twister (SFMT)

- a 128-bit sequence LFSR generator,
- using 128-bit operations:
Single Instruction Multiple Data (SIMD) instruction set,
- period is a multiple of $2^{19937} - 1$,
- dimension of equidistribution is at least 155.



8-2. Filter: A Modified Multiplicative Filter using SIMD

- S_F is a 128-bit memory,
- use group operation $\tilde{\times}$ on each of four 32-bit integers.
- additional 128-bit bit mixing.
- its output function extracts 64 bit from 128 bit.



8-3. Properties

CryptMT ver. 3 has theoretically assured properties:

- period of a multiple of $2^{19937} - 1$,
- at least 1241 dimensional equidistribution as 8 bit sequence,

and plausibly

- high algebraic degree (we omit here.)

8-4. Comparison of the speed

Compared generators:

- CryptMT3,
- SOSEMANUK,
- Dragon,
- SNOW 2.0,
- HC-256,
- Salsa20,
- AES (counter-mode)

Five candidates in eSTREAM software cipher phase 3 [2007, ECRYPT] permitting 256-bit Key, and two reference ciphers SNOW 2.0 and AES.

CPUs:

- Intel Core 2 Duo 2137MHz,
- AMD Athlon X2 2000MHz,
- Motorola PowerPC G4 533MHz.

The number of cycles consumed per byte encryption.

	Core 2 Duo	Athlon 64 X2	PowerPC G4
CryptMT3	2.95	4.73	9.23
HC-256	3.42	4.26	6.17
SOSEMANUK	3.67	4.41	6.17
SNOW-2.0	4.03	4.86	7.06
Salsa20	7.12	7.64	4.24
Dragon	7.61	8.11	8.39
AES-CTR	19.08	20.42	34.81

This table is copied from Bernstein's Homepage:

<http://cr.yp.to/streamciphers/timings.html>.

CryptMT3 is the fastest in Intel Core 2 Duo CPU, reflecting the efficiency of SIMD operations there.

(PowerPC lacks 32-bit multiplication instruction in SIMD.)

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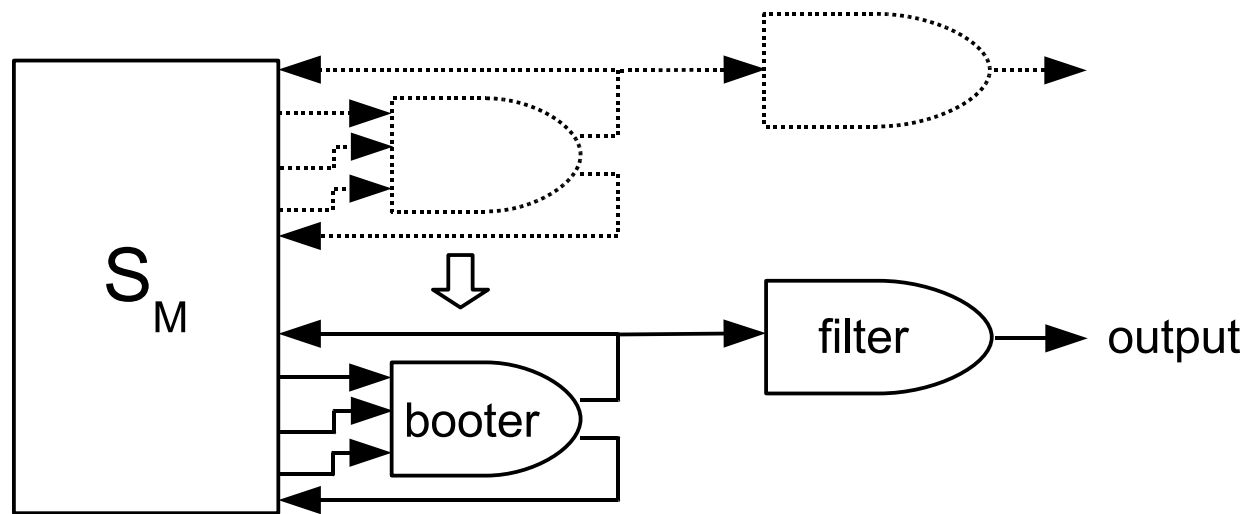
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The **booter** is a smaller sequence generator to fill up the state array of MG, and its output is passed to the filter at the same time. When the state array of MG filled, then booter switches to MG.



10. Conclusions

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We did not mention in this talk, but the following properties are shown in the paper in preproceedings:

- high algebraic degree of multiplicative filter
(both by an analysis on multiplication and by a toy model).
- ordinary attacks seem to be difficult because of the huge state space and high non-linearity.

Thank you for your kind attention.