

Dynamic Reconfiguration as Countermeasure against DPA

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Reliability vs. Security



Reliability

- Area or Time redundancy
- Generally worse security

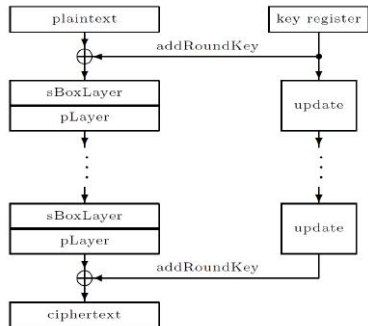
Security

- Masking or another computation
- More faults possible

Present cypher



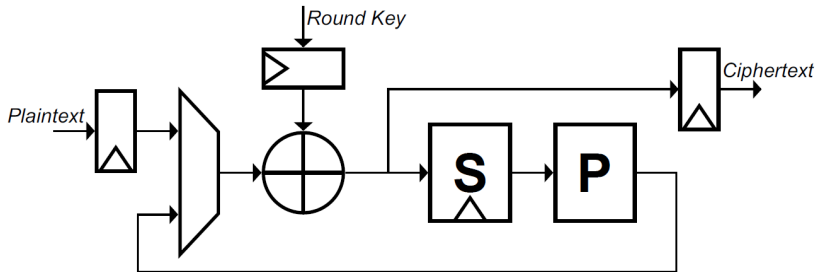
- Ultra-Lightweight cipher
- Block-cipher (64 bits)
- 80/128 bit key
- 32 rounds



Countermeasure possibilities



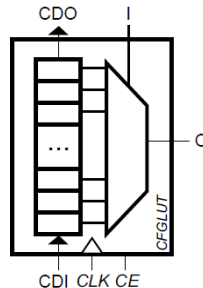
- Masking
- Threshold implementation



S-box splitting



- Built-in CFGLUT
- Random reconfiguration
- Two entities
- Same function

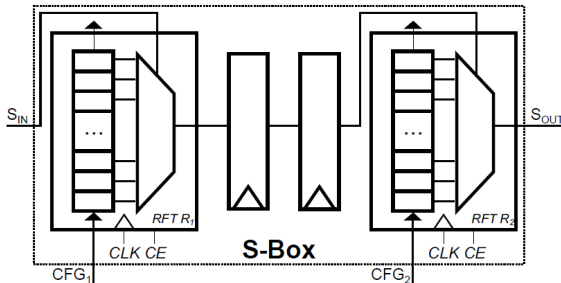


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DPA development board



- Artix-7 FPGA
- Threshold implementation



Other techniques



- 0/1 computations in parallel
- Another masking or threshold implementations

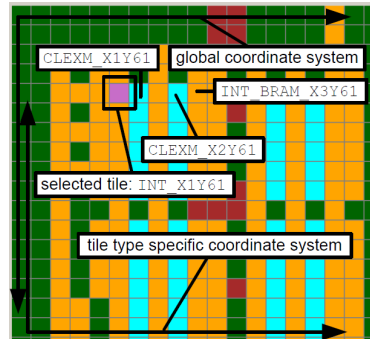
Preserving reliability

- Place & route knowledge

FPGA structure



- Pretty unknown
- Existing toolchains
- XDL format
- TORC



TORC

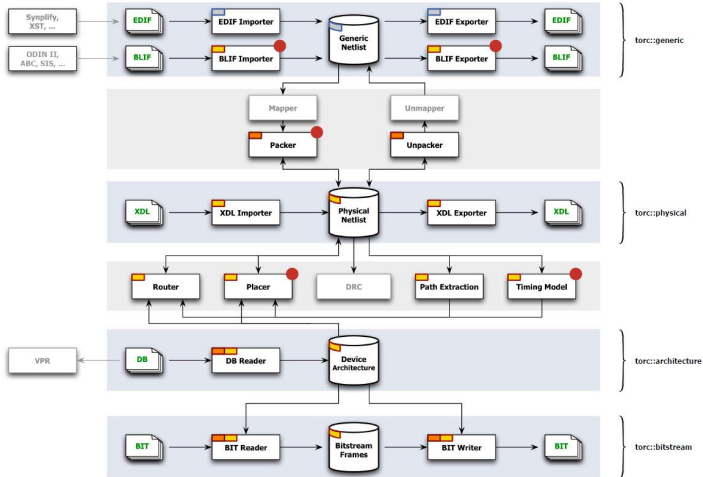


Figure 1: Torc block diagram. *Red dots indicate components still under development.*

Thank you for your attention!