

A Time-Memory Tradeoff Attack Against LILI-128

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Abstract. In this note we discuss a novel and simple time-memory tradeoff attack against the stream cipher LILI-128. The attack defeats the security advantage of having an irregular stepping function. The attack requires 2^{46} bits of keystream, a lookup table of 2^{45} 89-bit words and computational effort which is roughly equivalent to 2^{48} DES operations.

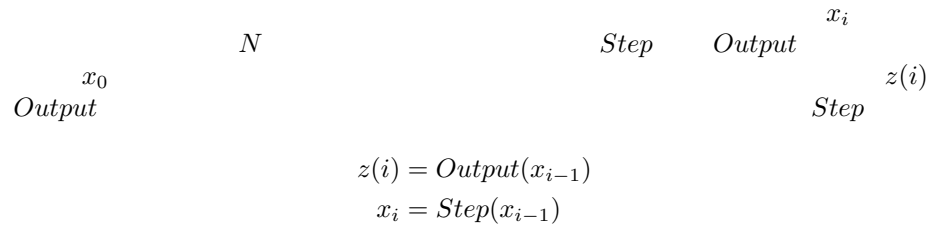
1 Introduction

2^{112}

1.1 Previous Work

— 2^{79} 2^{40} 2^{30} 2^{71}
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1.2 Time/Memory/Data Tradeoffs

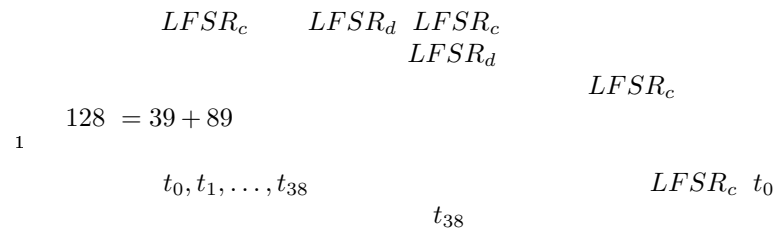


Off-line preprocessing stage. x_i
 $z(i), z(i+1), \dots, z(i + O(\log N))$ x_i

On-line computation phase. $O(\log N)$



2 Description of LILI-128



¹ In [6] the authors also discuss other keying methods for LILI-128.

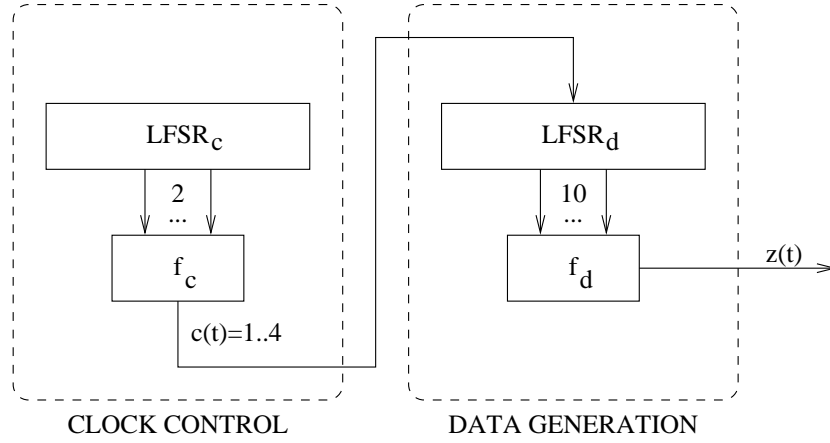


Fig. 1. Overview of the LILI-128 keystream generator.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 u_0, u_1, \dots, u_{88} \\
 \text{\textit{LFSR}_c} \\
 x^{39} + x^{35} + x^{33} + x^{31} + x^{17} + x^{15} + x^{14} + x^2 + 1 \\
 \text{\textit{LFSR}_d} \\
 x^{89} + x^{83} + x^{80} + x^{55} + x^{53} + x^{42} + x^{39} + x + 1. \\
 \\
 \text{\textit{LFSR}_d} \quad z(t) \quad \text{\textit{LFSR}_d} \quad f_d, f_d : \mathbb{F}_2^{10} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_2 \\
 z(t) = f_d(u_0, u_1, u_3, u_7, u_{12}, u_{20}, u_{30}, u_{44}, u_{65}, u_{80}). \\
 \text{\textit{LFSR}_c} \quad c(t) \quad \text{\textit{LFSR}_c} \quad f_c : \mathbb{F}_2^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_2 \\
 c(t) = f_c(t_{12}, t_{20}) = 2t_{12} + t_{20} + 1 \\
 \text{\textit{LFSR}_d} \quad \text{\textit{LFSR}_c} \\
 c(t) \\
 \textit{before}
 \end{array}$$

² The f_d function is specified as a 1024-entry table in the original specification [5], and is excluded from this paper since it is irrelevant to the present attack.

Lemma 1. For each $\Delta_c = 2^{39} - 1$ times $LF\text{SR}_c$ is clocked, $LF\text{SR}_d$ is clocked exactly $\Delta_d = 5 * 2^{38} - 1$ times. ³

Proof.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{2^{39}-1} c(t+i) = \Delta_d$$

$$LF\text{SR}_c \qquad 2^{39} - 1 = \Delta_c$$

$$t_0 = t_1 = \dots = t_{38} = 0 \qquad (t_{12}, t_{20})$$

$$(0, 0) \qquad 2^{37} - 1 \qquad (0, 1) \ (1, 0) \ (1, 1) \qquad 2^{37}$$

$$1 * (2^{37} - 1) + (2 + 3 + 4) * 2^{37} = 1374389534719 =$$

$$\Delta_d$$

Lemma 2. $LF\text{SR}_d$ can be stepped by Δ_d number of positions forward or backward by performing a vector-matrix multiplication with a precomputed 89×89 bit matrix over $GF(2)$. The matrix can be constructed with roughly 2^{28} bit operations using a binary matrix exponentiation algorithm.

Proof.

$$\Delta_d \qquad GF(2^{89})$$

$$2^{11.4} \qquad 3949 \approx$$

3 The Attack

3.1 Constructing the Lookup Table

$$2^{45} \qquad 2^{46}$$

$$\Delta_d \qquad LF\text{SR}_d \qquad f_d$$

Analysis.

$$2^{51.48} \qquad 1 - e^{-2} = 0.8647$$

$$2^{48}$$

³ This lemma follows implicitly from Theorem 2 in [5]

3.2 Lookup Stage

$$2^{46} \quad z(0), z(1), \dots, z(2^{46} - 1)$$

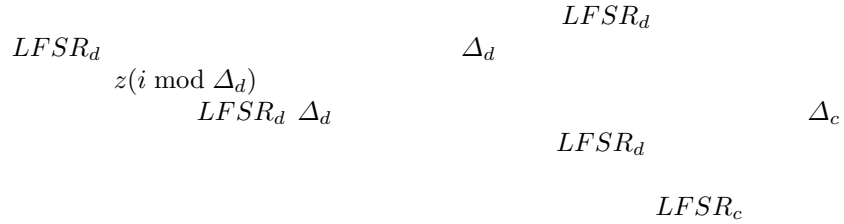
$$z(i) \mid z(i + \Delta_c) \mid \dots \mid z(i + 44\Delta_c)$$

$$LFSR_d \quad LFSR_d \quad \Delta_d \lfloor \frac{i}{\Delta_c} \rfloor$$

$$f_d(LFSR_d) \neq z(j\Delta_c + (i \bmod \Delta_c))$$

$$LFSR_d \quad \Delta_d$$

LFSR_d



Analysis.

LFSR_d

$$1 - \left(1 - \frac{0.8647 * 2^{45}}{2^{89}}\right)^{2^{46} - 44\Delta_c} \approx 90\%.$$

$$2^{45}$$

$$2^{48}$$

4 Conclusions

$$2^{46}$$

$$2^{45} \quad 2^{51.48}$$

$$2^{48}$$

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