

DFA Mechanism on the AES Key Schedule



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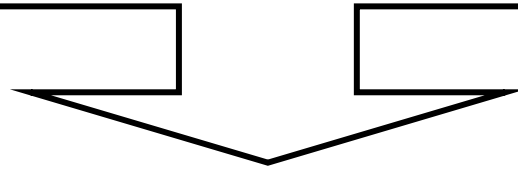
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- Our results
- Analysis of DFA mechanism
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Motivation

Previous studies have not addressed general attack approach for DFA against AES key schedule



- What is the general approach?
- Is there a more efficient attack than existing ones ?

Our results

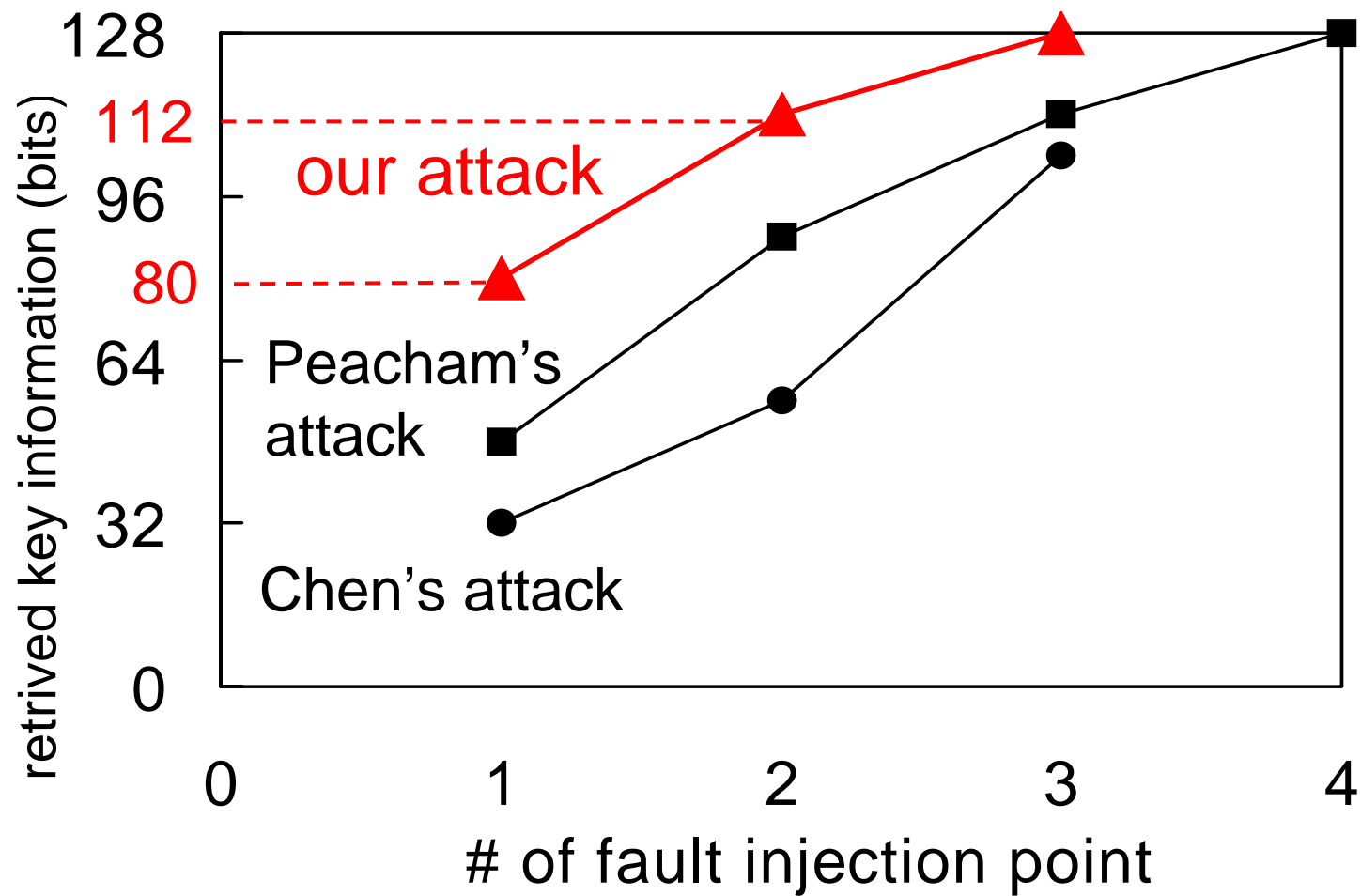
■ Previous studies

- No general expression of attack
- Complicated simultaneous equations must be solved to obtain keys

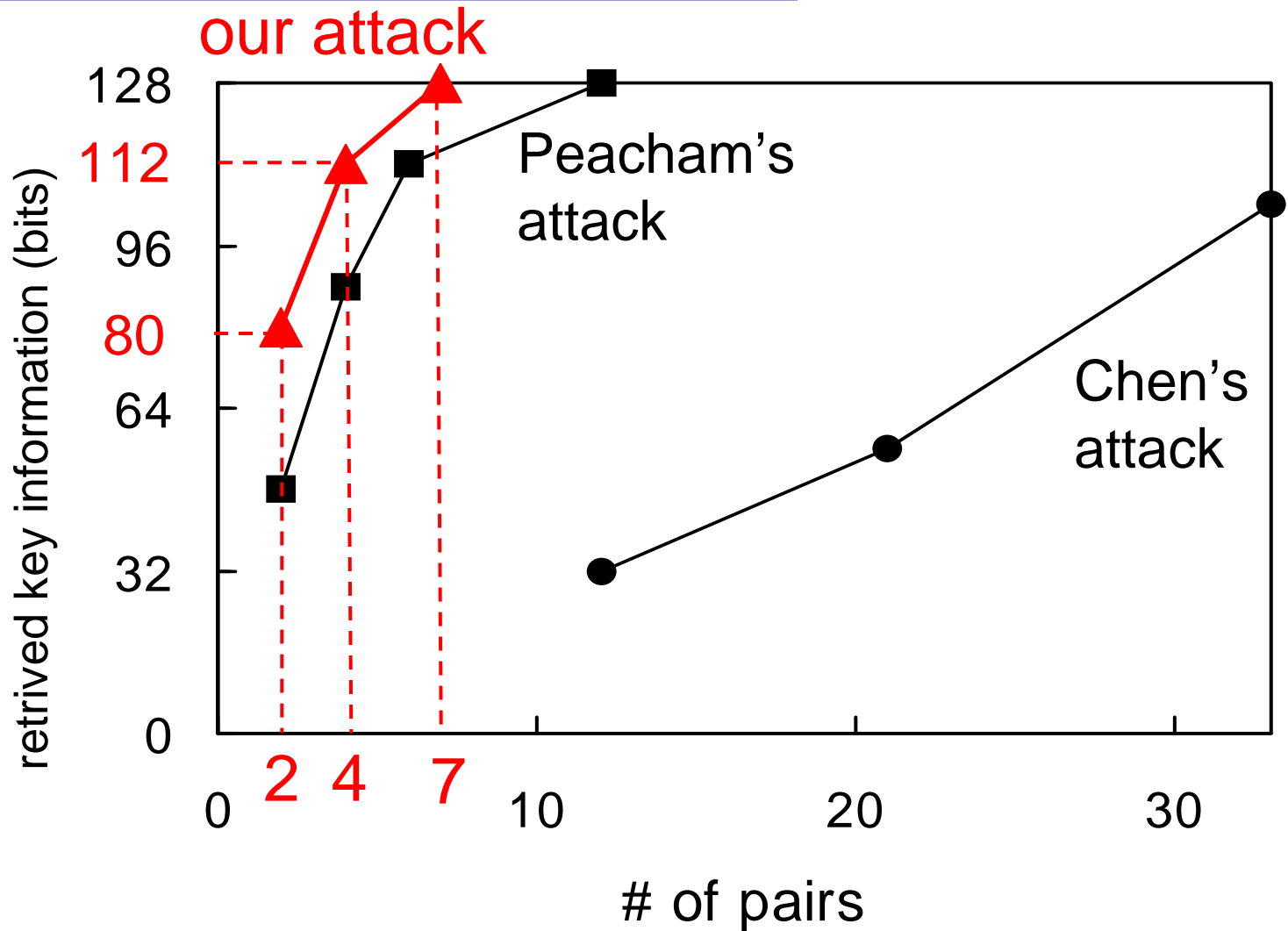
■ Our study

- We found that DFA can be clearly represented, if seen from two sides
- Only simple expressions and attack rules needed

Our results



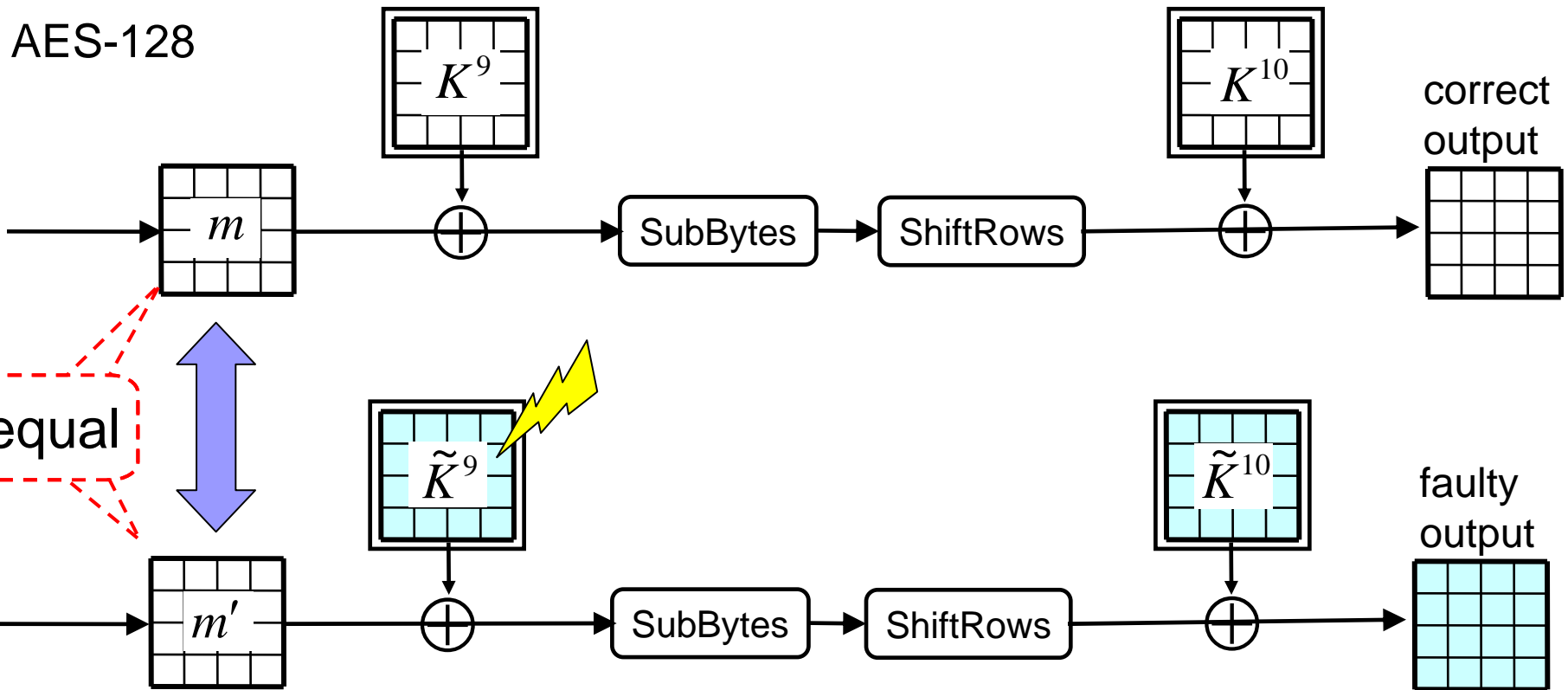
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DFA against AES key schedule

- States calculated by correct and faulty outputs must be equal, $m = m'$
- Solve simultaneous equations to obtain keys

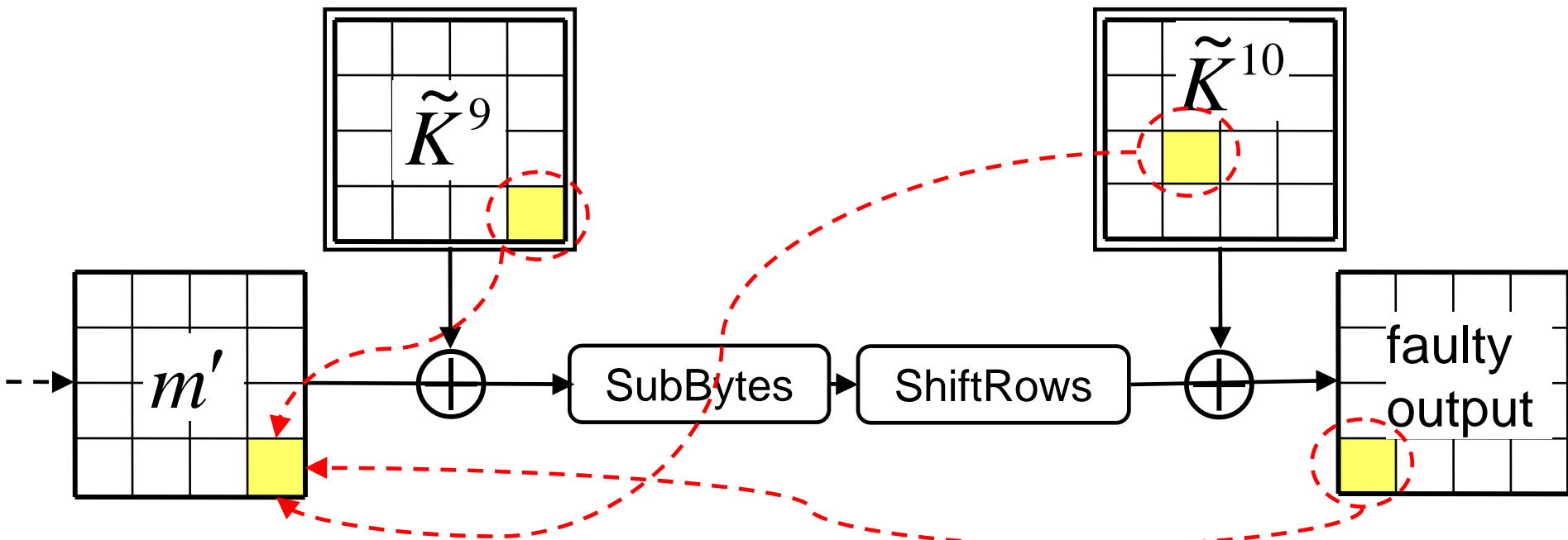


Attack assumptions

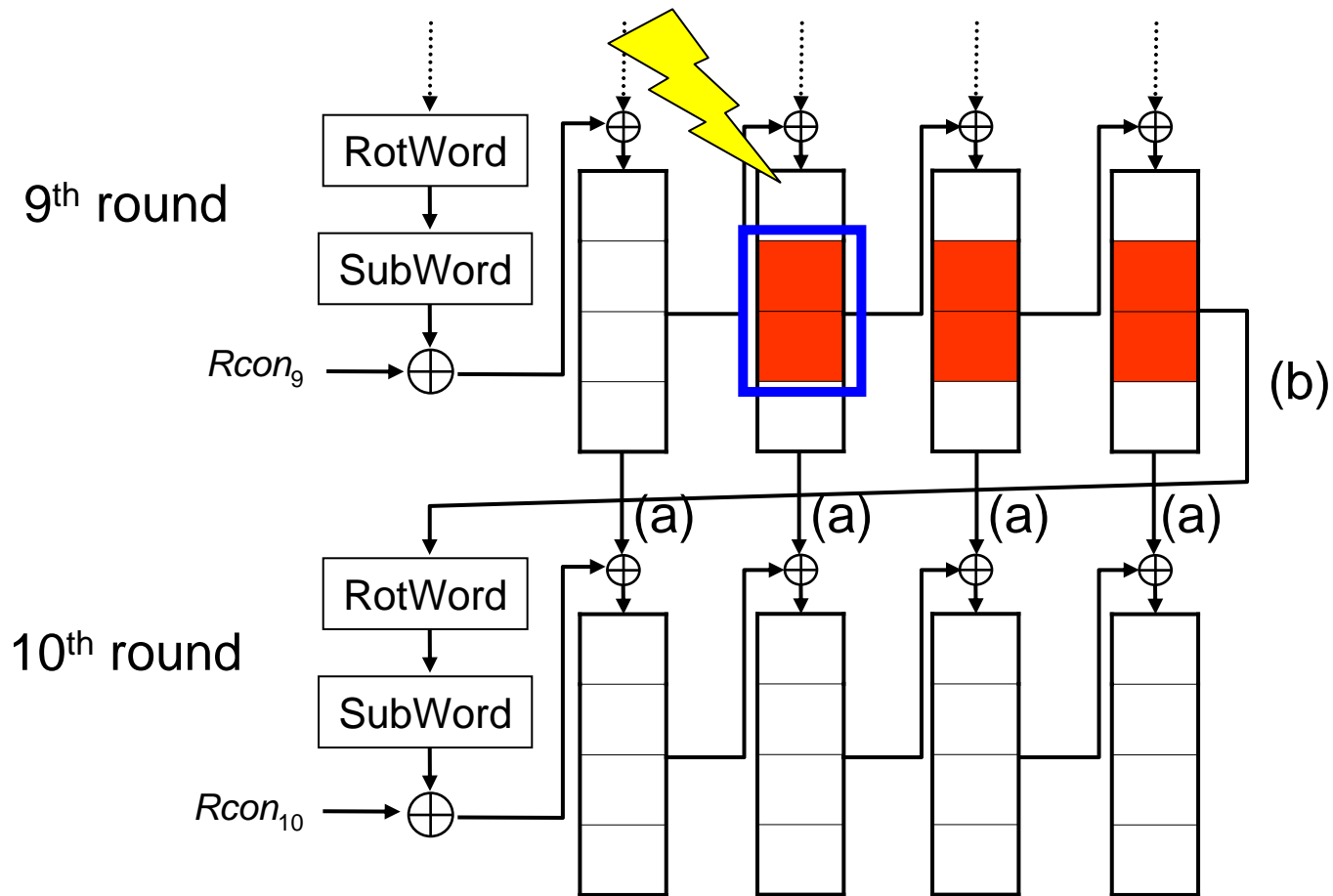
- Attacker can corrupt any byte(s) of the round key, but he can not choose the corrupted value of the byte(s) as he likes.
- Faults are not injected into byte(s) of the same row of the 9th round.
- $\varepsilon_{i,j} = K_{i,j} \oplus \tilde{K}_{i,j}$: error values (difference between correct and faulty keys)

Relation between m' and output

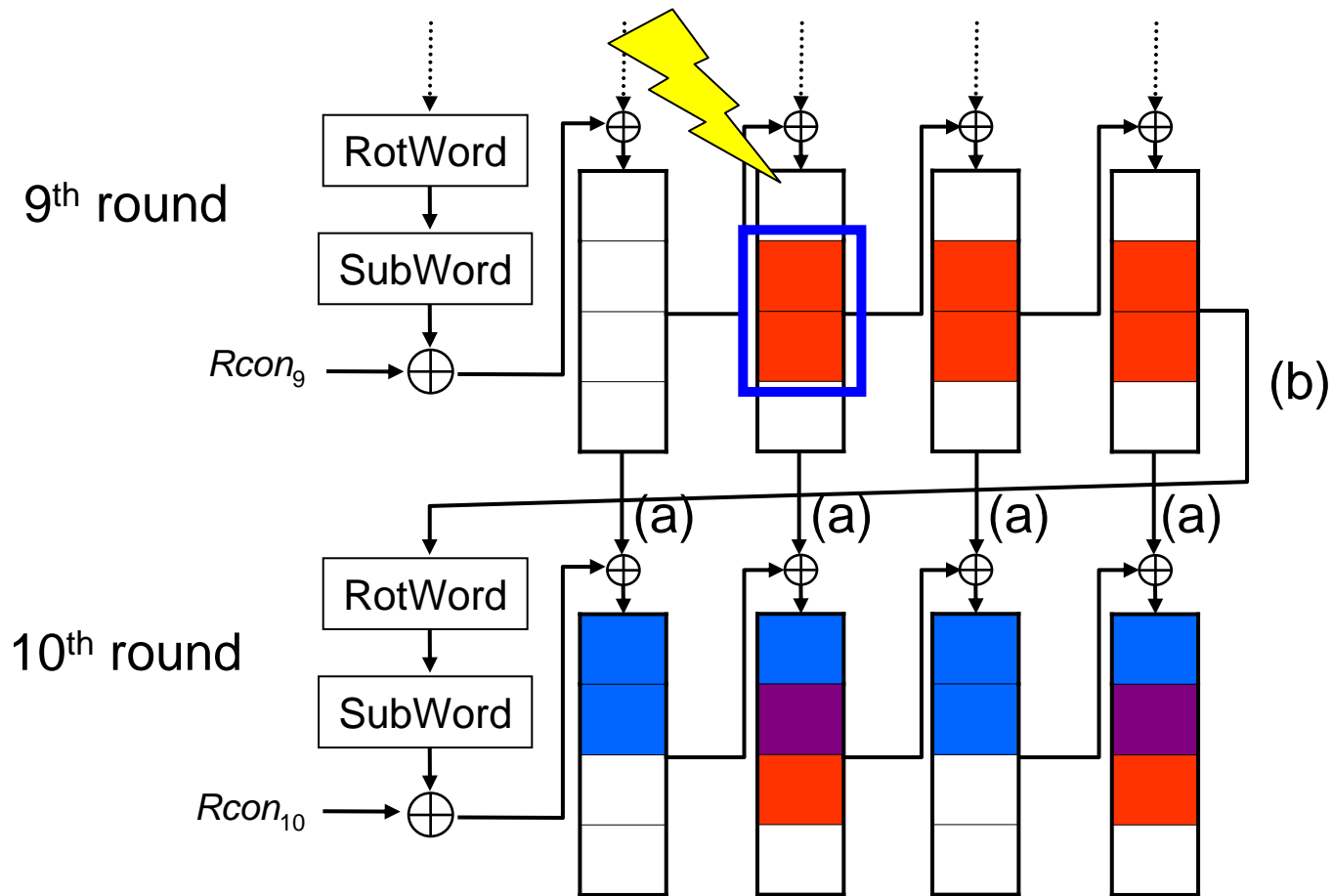
- Each byte of $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} m' \\ \text{equation } m = m' \end{array} \right\}$ represents a one-to-one correspondence with keys and outputs



Fault propagation in AES-128









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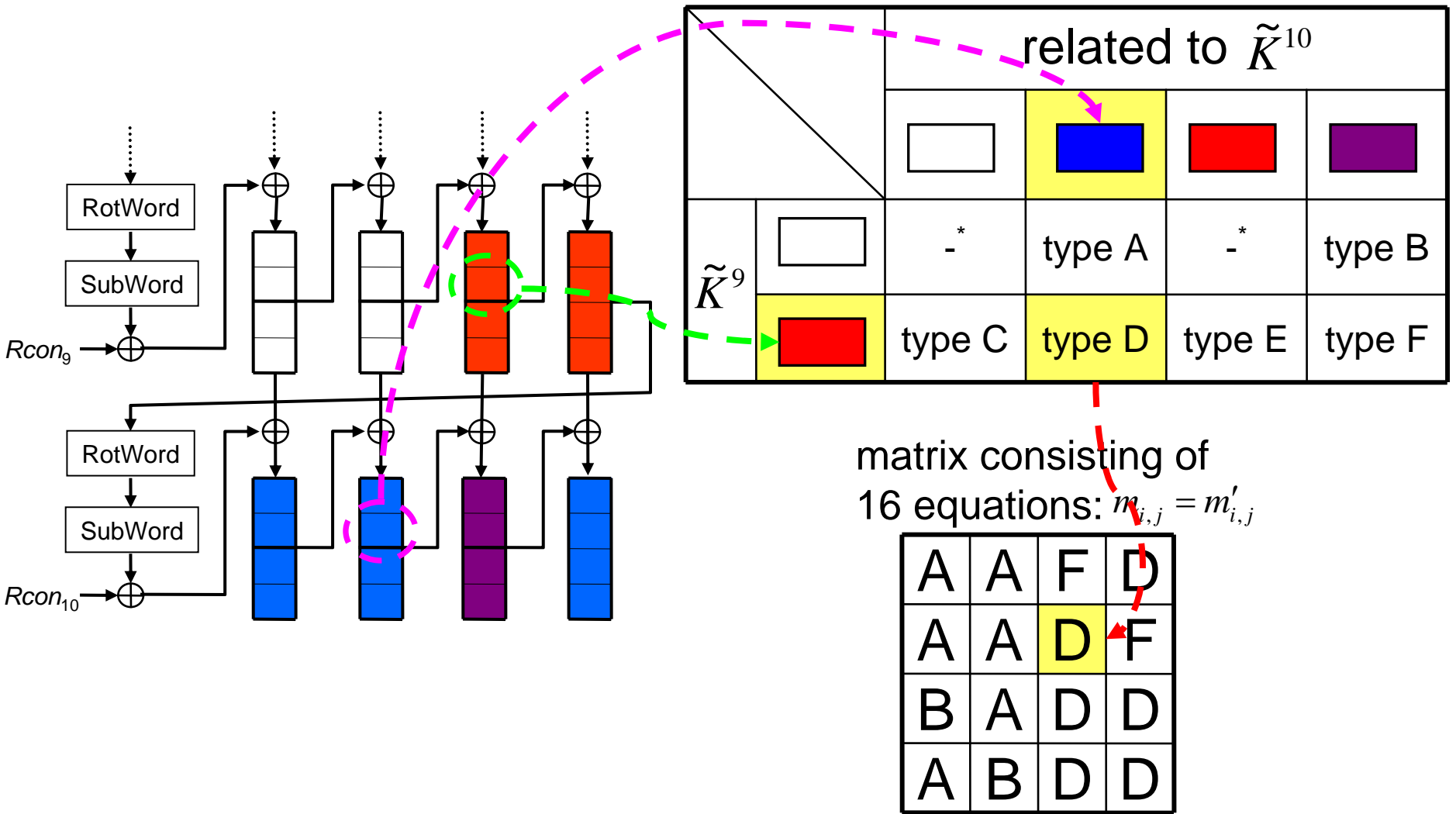
Classification : 8 patterns

- Each byte of $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} m' \\ \text{equation } m = m' \end{array} \right\}$ can be classified into 8 patterns

		related to \tilde{K}^{10}			
					
\tilde{K}^9		- *	type A	- *	type B
		type C	type D	type E	type F

*Not used in analysis

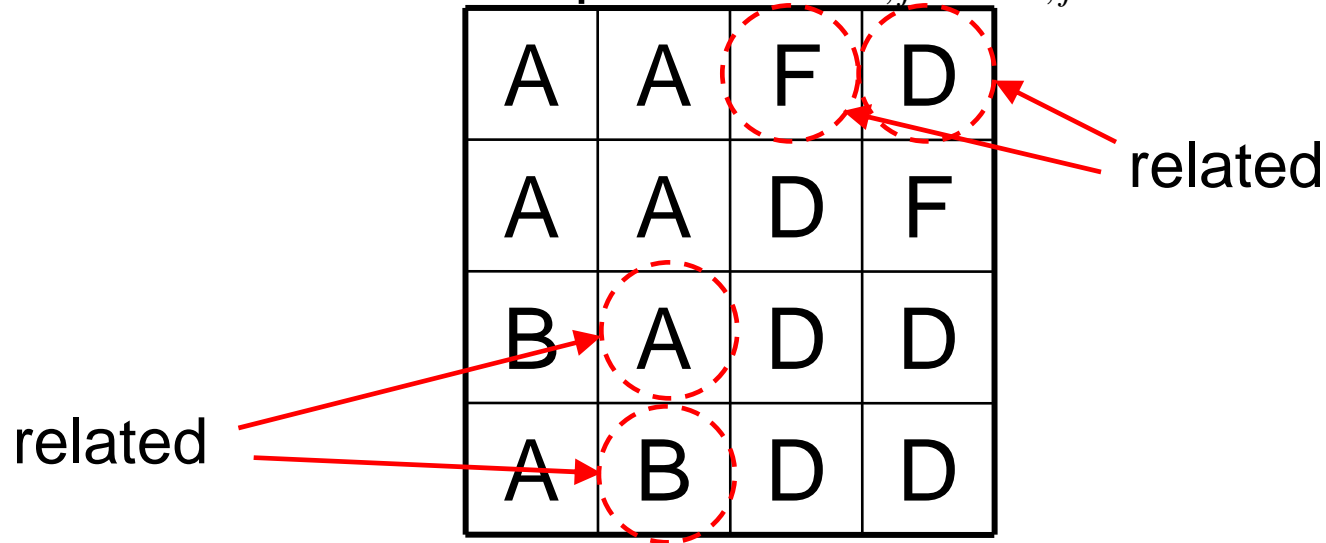
m=m' assigned to one of 8 patterns



Our idea

- 16 equations of $m_{i,j} = m'_{i,j}$ are classified into 8 patterns
- Some types are related
- Attack utilizes position of types and known values during the attack

matrix consisting of
16 equations: $m_{i,j} = m'_{i,j}$



Proposed 7 attack rules

- General expression of equation : $m_{i,j} = m'_{i,j}$

$$K_{i,j} \oplus S^{-1}[Q_{i,j} \oplus S[K_{i+1(\bmod 4),3}] \oplus y_{i,j}] = \tilde{K}_{i,j} \oplus S^{-1}[\tilde{Q}_{i,j} \oplus S[\tilde{K}_{i+1(\bmod 4),3}] \oplus \tilde{y}_{i,j}]$$

- In the case of type A byte on (i, j):

$$\cancel{K_{i,j}} \oplus S^{-1}[\cancel{Q_{i,j}} \oplus S[K_{i+1(\bmod 4),3}] \oplus y_{i,j}] = \cancel{K_{i,j}} \oplus S^{-1}[\cancel{Q_{i,j}} \oplus S[K_{i+1(\bmod 4),3} \oplus \varepsilon_{i+1(\bmod 4),j}] \oplus \tilde{y}_{i,j}]$$

$$S[K_{i+1(\bmod 4),3}] \oplus y_{i,j} = S[K_{i+1(\bmod 4),3} \oplus \varepsilon_{i+1(\bmod 4),j}] \oplus \tilde{y}_{i,j}$$

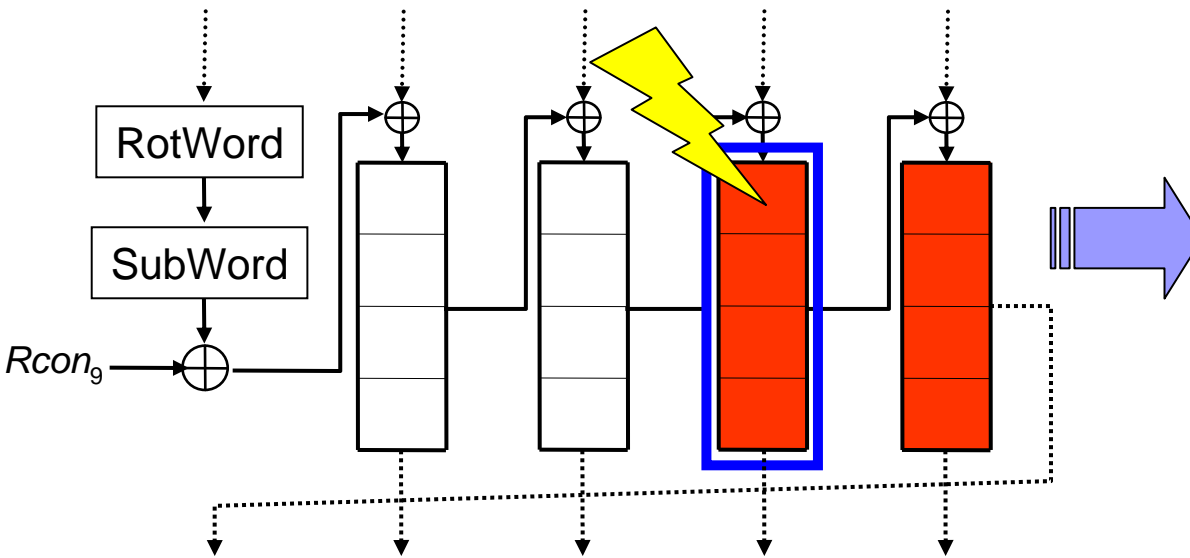
attack rule.2

if we know $\varepsilon_{i+1(\bmod 4),j}$ below type A, we can obtain $K_{i+1(\bmod 4),3}$ in the most right byte of the row below type A. We have to use 2 pairs of correct and faulty ciphertexts to determine $K_{i+1(\bmod 4),3}$.

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Our attack with one fault injection

9th round



matrix consisting of
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A	A	F	D
A	A	D	F
B	A	D	D
A	B	D	D

Attack procedure

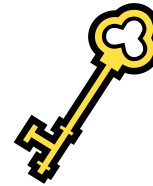
apply to rule.1

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error values
 ε

9th round key
 K



Attack procedure

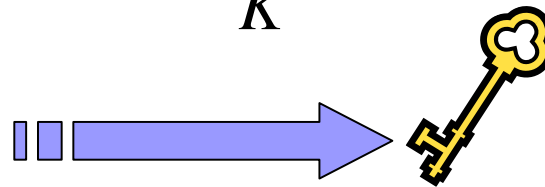
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error values
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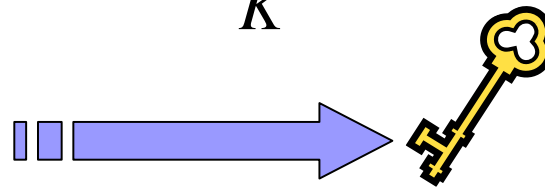
apply rule.3 and rule.5

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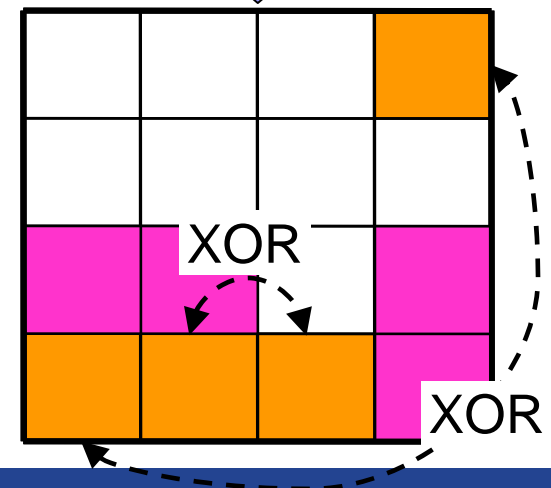
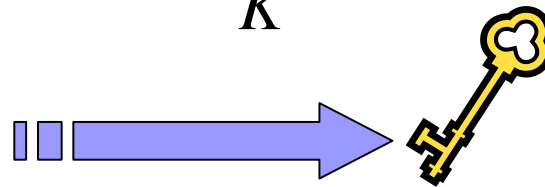
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Attack procedure

apply rule.1

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Attack procedure

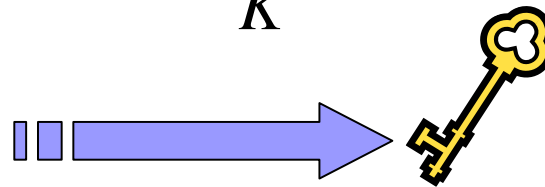
apply rule.2 and rule.3

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		XOR	

Attack procedure

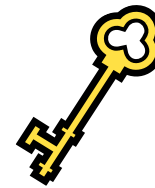
apply rule.2

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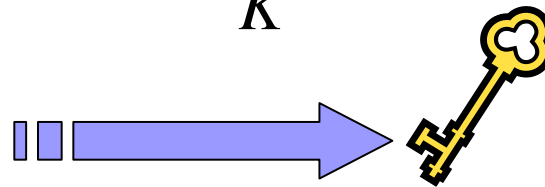
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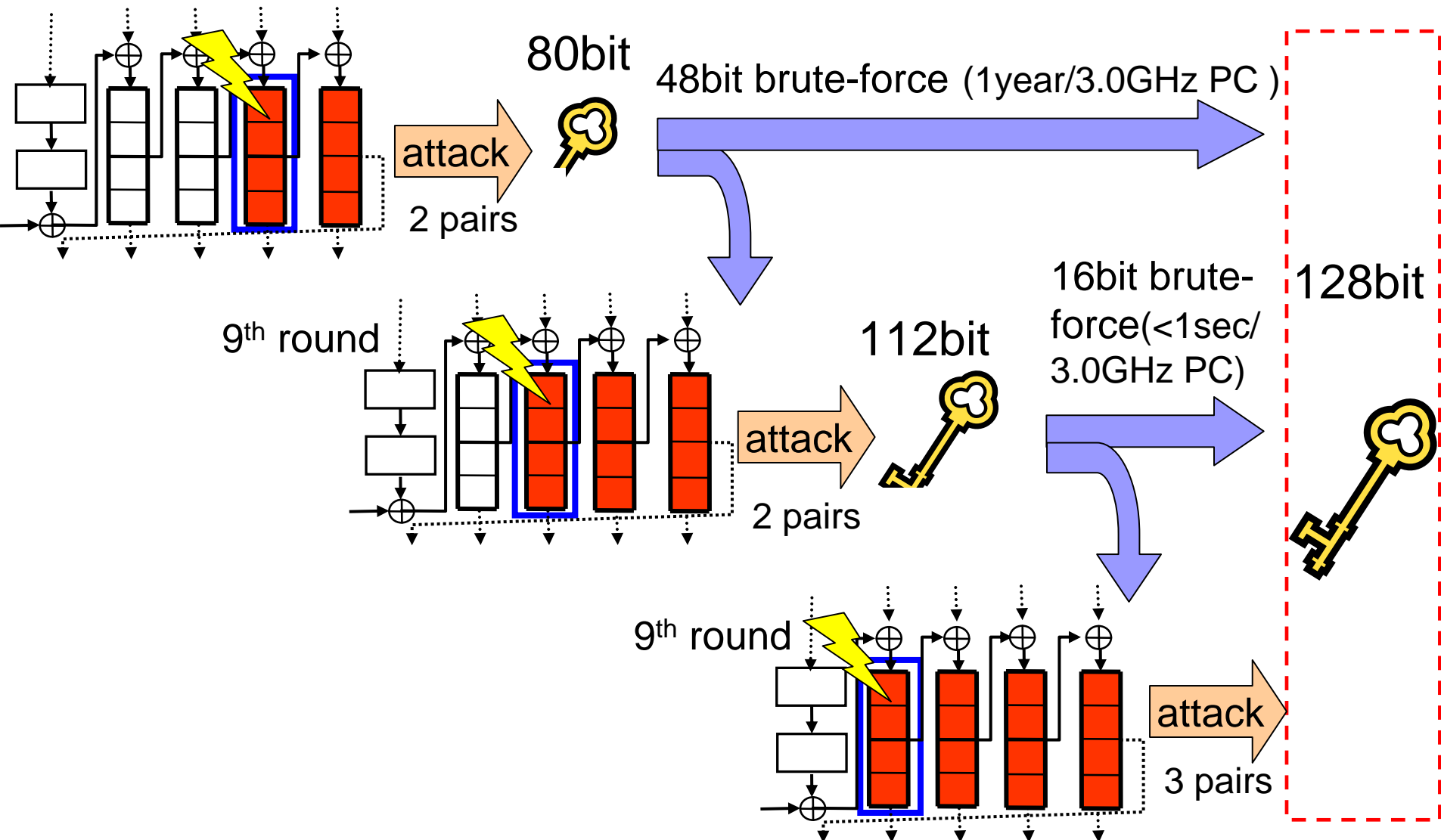
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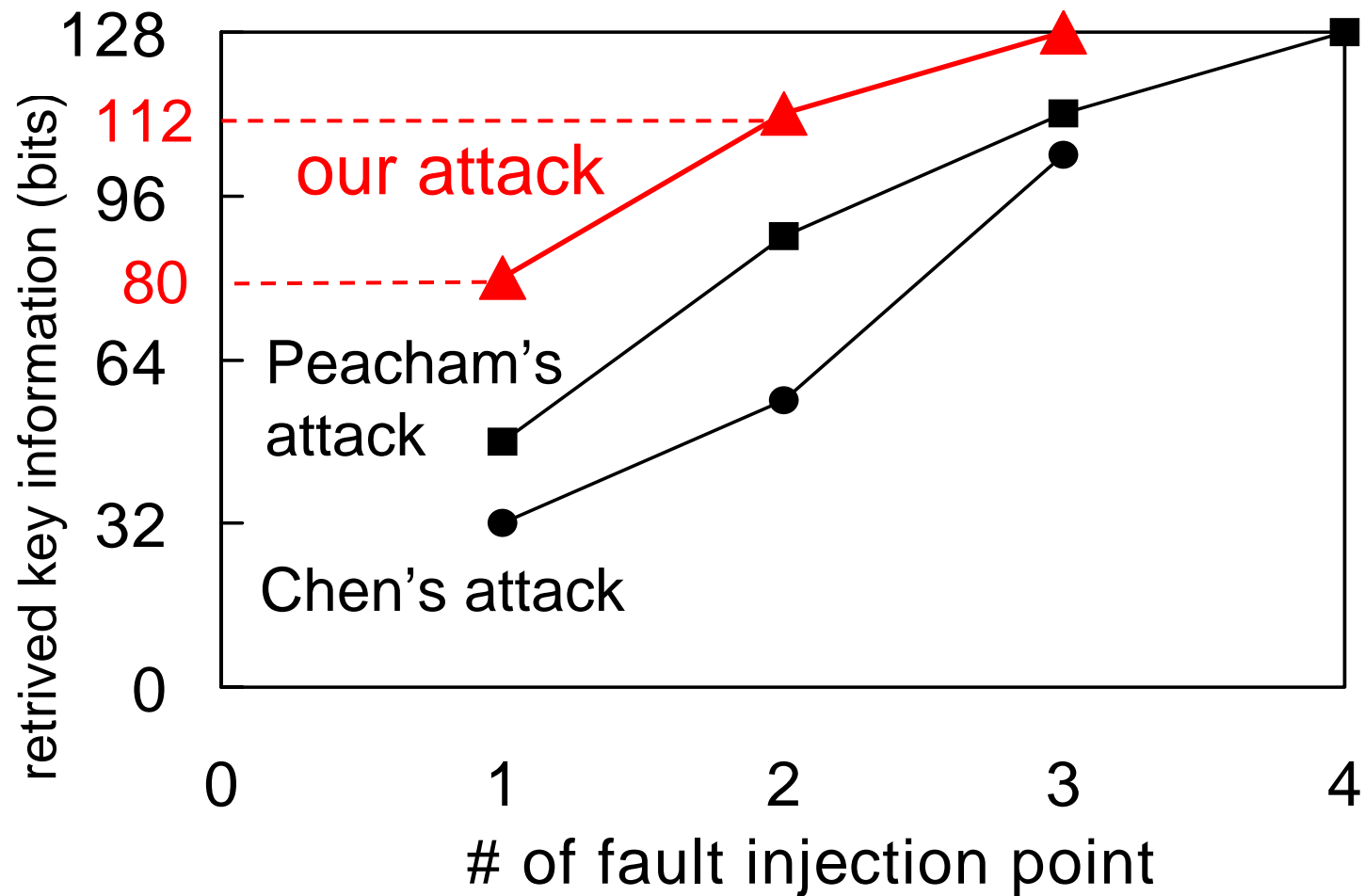


We can obtain information
equivalent to 80 bits of key

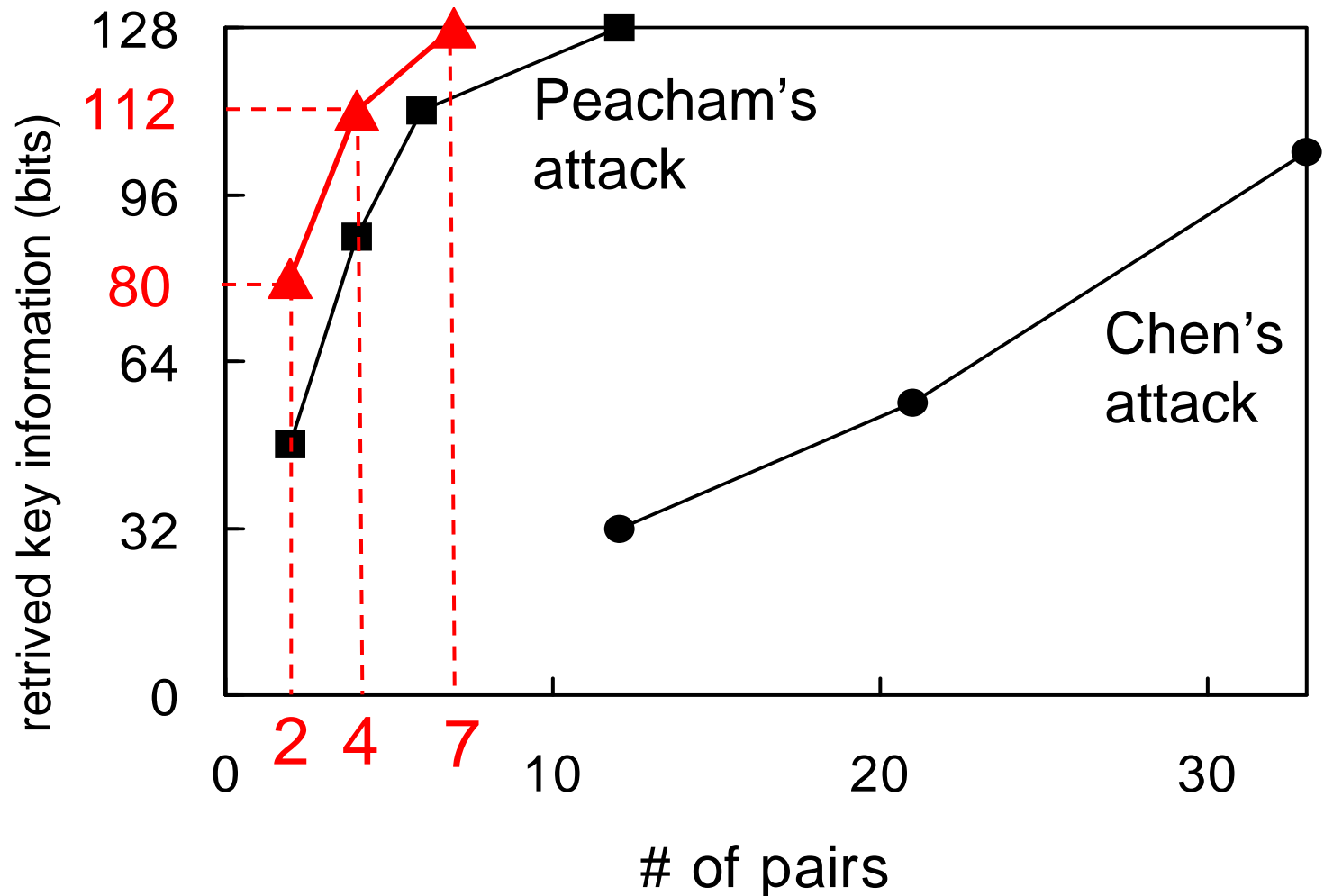
How to retrieve a complete key



Comparison to existing attacks



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Conclusions

- Analysis of DFA mechanism
 - We found that DFA against the AES key schedule can be clearly represented, when seen from two sides,
 - how each key byte is affected by fault injection
 - position of each type affected by fault injection
 - We proposed how to get the complete key with the position of types read from simple expressions and attack rules.

- efficient attack
 - It is much more efficient.
 - 2-pairs needed with 48-bit brute-force search
 - 7-pairs needed without brute-force search

Thank you very much for
your attention !!

