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### **ABSTRACT**

Hard fault attack is a powerful kind of attack to stream cipher. The major idea is to simplify the stream cipher equations by *injecting* or *creating* some faults to reveal the hidden secret key of the encryption machine. In this paper we present a new and efficient hard fault attack on the Full version of the hardware-oriented synchronous stream cipher Trivium of the European project eSTREAM. This hard fault reset based attack has a complexity less than  $\mathcal{O}(2^{48})$  and can be made whenever during the cipher stream generation by finding both the the 80-bit secret key and the 80-bit Initial Values. The main idea of this transient fault attack is to stick to a constant a particular register by targeting its reset wire and to make a cryptanalysis in order to recover the secret. This attack is actually better in terms of complexity, than the best known attacks.

Keywords: Full trivium, cryptanalysis, fault attack, algebraic attack, complexity.

#### Introduction

A stream cipher is a symmetric encryption algorithm which takes a stream of plaintext, a secret key and initial values as input and then generate a keystream used to encrypt the the plaintext. The secret key and initial values are of fixed length and used to initialize the inner state of keystream generator. In a synchronous stream cipher the keystream and the plaintext are independent. Trivium is a hardware-oriented synchronous stream cipher designed by C. De Cannière and B. Preneel [2, 3] in 2005 for the ECRYPT Stream Cipher Project, abbreviated eSTREAM [1] which is a multi-year effort to identify new stream ciphers potentially suitable for widespread adoption. Since 2004, no less than 34 different stream cipher proposals were submitted in two kind of profile, software oriented and hardware oriented. Trivium has been accepted for the final portfolio of promising new stream ciphers with 7 other candidates among which Grain-v1 and MICKEY-v2 in the same performance profile. Trivium has a simple and elegant structure composed of 3 non-linear feedback shift registers (NFSRs) and a linear output function. Its internal state is initialized with an 80-bit secret key and an 80-bit initial value then rotated over 1,152 clock cycles (called Full Trivium). Trivium has attracted a lot of interest ([4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16]) with several cryptanalysis on Full Trivium or on reduced version (number of initialization rounds, number of registers) and also with design improvements in terms of security ([20, 21]). Here we only briefly mention some particular classes of attacks. In [6] authors developed statistical tests to show statistical weaknesses of Trivium with up to 736 initialization rounds. In [7] combined statistical tests are used to built an attack on 672-initialization-rounds Trivium with complexity 2<sup>55</sup>. In [8, 9] A related key differential attack is developed on Full Trivium with complexity 2<sup>68</sup>. In [22] (then [23, 27]) an algebraic attack called Cube attack is applied on 735-initialization-rounds Trivium with complexity 230. An another powerful kind of attacks is the hard fault attack which is efficient to stream cipher to reveal the hidden secret key of the encryption machine. The idea is to *inject* or creat some soft faults (changing the values of some positions at some moment) or hard faults (setting the values of some positions permanently) to simplify the cipher system. The goal is to obtain a large number of low-degree equations of its initial state from a generated keystream vector. In [17] a soft fault analysis of Trivium is presented as a known-differential attack in which it makes use of the fault injection to obtain the state differential. In [18] same authors present a floating fault analysis of Trivium in which it makes use of the floating fault under two strong assumptions: the fault injection can be made for the state at a fixed time (especially at the initial time) and after it exactly one random bit is changed. In [14] an improvement of the floating fault attack is presented with two practical assumptions: the fault injection can be made for the state at a random time and the positions of the fault bits are from random one of 3 NFSRs, and from a random area within 8 neighboring bits. In [19] a hard fault analysis is presented for breaking block ciphers. In [15] the same kind of attack is applied to Trivium with different result cases. In the best case attacker can obtain all of the 80-bit secret key with a probability not smaller than 0.2291 or 69 bits of the 80-bit secret key with a probability not smaller than 0.2396. Whereas most of these attacks are black box attacks and work under (weak, strong or practical) assumptions, the purpose of this paper is to present a new and efficient attack on the Full version of Trivium based on a particular kind of hard fault attack. This attack is a two-stage attack with an operational side where Trivium is initialized then used to generate keystream bits during which the reset is made at any time and an offensive side where the effect of the reset is exploited to obtain the secret key bits. This attack allows to find both the secret key bits and the Initial Values bits of the initial internal state of the Full Trivium. It's complexity is less than  $\mathcal{O}(2^{48})$ . The contents of this paper are organized as follow. In the next Section, we give a complete description of Full Trivium. In Section Hard Fault Model, we describe the hard fault model used for this attack. In Section *The Attack*, we present this new and efficient attack emphasizing its different phases and its computational aspect. In Section The Complexity, we explain the calculation of its complexity and its improvement using a wise internal bit structure. In Section Proposed Countermeasures, we propose some countermeasures to face this kind of attack.

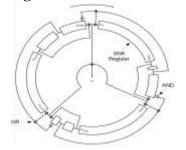
#### **Description of Trivium**

The hardware-oriented synchronous stream cipher Trivium has a simple and elegant structure composed by combined shift registers with and and or logic gates shown in Figure 1. Trivium is designed to generate up to 2<sup>64</sup> bits of keystream from an internal state of 288 bits loaded with an 80-bit secret key and an 80-bit initial value (IV) with 1,152 clock cycles for the Full version sum up in Table 1.

**Table 1.** Trivium Parameters

| Parameters                |    |               |
|---------------------------|----|---------------|
| Full Trivium cycles       | į. | 1152 rounds   |
| Secret Key size           | ij | 80 bits       |
| Initial Values size       | ÷  | 80 bits       |
| Internal State size       |    | 288 bits      |
| Key stream maximal length | :  | $2^{64}$ bits |

Figure 1. Internal Structure of Trivium



It consists of an iterative process, that after been initialized, extracts the values of 15 specific state bits and uses them both to update 3 bits of the state and to compute 1 bit of the keystream. The state bits are then rotated, and the process is repeated. The process consists of two phases: an initialization phase and a generation phase. We have chosen to present Trivium in a chronological operational way while it is usually presented in the counter way.

The initialization internal state phase load the 80-bit secret key denoted by  $(K_0, \dots, K_{79})$ , the 80-bit IV denoted by  $(IV_0, \dots, IV_{79})$  and 3 bits to 1 into the 288-bit internal state denoted by  $(s_0, \dots, s_{287})$  according to Table 2.

**Table 2.** Secret Key and IV Loading of Trivium

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\begin{array}{lll} (s_0,\cdots,s_{79},s_{80},\cdots s_{92}) & \leftarrow (K_0,\cdots,K_{79},0,\cdots,0) \\ (s_{93},\cdots,s_{172},s_{173},\cdots s_{176}) \leftarrow (IV_0,\cdots,IV_{79},0,\cdots,0) \\ (s_{177},\cdots,s_{285},s_{286},s_{287}) & \leftarrow (0,\cdots,0,1,1,1) \end{array}
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Then the state is rotated over 4 Full cycles that is 4\*288 = 1152 clock cycles relatively to the *Initialization pseudo-code* of Table 3. The generation keystream phase operates exactly the same as the previous phase except that it generates keystream bits denoted by  $z_i$   $(1 \le i \le 2^{64})$  relatively to the *Generation pseudo-code* of Table 4.

**Table 3.** *Initialization Pseudo-Code Equations* 

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For (i = 1; i \le 4 * 288; i \leftarrow i + 1) Do

t_1 \leftarrow s_{65} + s_{90}.s_{91} + s_{170} + s_{92}

t_2 \leftarrow s_{161} + s_{174}.s_{175} + s_{263} + s_{176}

t_3 \leftarrow s_{242} + s_{285}.s_{286} + s_{68} + s_{287}

(s_0, s_1, \dots, s_{92}) \leftarrow (t_3, s_0, \dots, s_{91})

(s_{93}, s_{94}, \dots, s_{176}) \leftarrow (t_1, s_{93}, \dots, s_{175})

(s_{177}, s_{178}, \dots, s_{287}) \leftarrow (t_2, s_{177}, \dots, s_{286})
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**Table 4.** Generation Pseudo-Code Equations

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For (i = 1; i \le N; i \leftarrow i + 1) Do

t_1 \leftarrow s_{65} + s_{92}

t_2 \leftarrow s_{161} + s_{176}

t_3 \leftarrow s_{242} + s_{287}

\mathbf{z_i} \leftarrow \mathbf{t_1} + \mathbf{t_2} + \mathbf{t_3}

t_1 \leftarrow t_1 + s_{90}.s_{91} + s_{170}

t_2 \leftarrow t_2 + s_{174}.s_{175} + s_{263}

t_3 \leftarrow t_3 + s_{285}.s_{286} + s_{68}

(s_0, s_1, \dots, s_{92}) \leftarrow (t_3, s_0, \dots, s_{91})

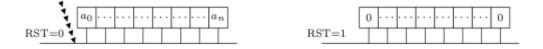
(s_{93}, s_{94}, \dots, s_{176}) \leftarrow (t_1, s_{93}, \dots, s_{175})

(s_{177}, s_{178}, \dots, s_{287}) \leftarrow (t_2, s_{177}, \dots, s_{286})
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#### **Hard Fault Model**

The fault effect on a circuit has to be clearly modeled for it to be useful for cryptanalysis. Two criteria can be exhibited in order to classify a fault: the introduction difficulty and the repetitively. The easiest fault is to perturb the circuit on several clock cycles. A more powerful fault is to choose a cryptographic object such as a register and to randomly modify it or to stick it to a constant value (resetting it for example). The register size depends on the technology targeted but also the capability of the attacker to localize in the space the sensitive logic. The attack presented in this paper lies within the scope of this kind of powerful fault. The main idea is to stick to a constant a register by targeting its reset wire but not the register itself (Figure 2). In this paper, we interest in the case of transient fault which need a cryptanalysis in order to recover a secret. This attack is a hard fault reset based attack in which the reset action can be made whenever during the cipher stream generation. This attack exploits the 80-bit initial value (IV) which is used to load freely the internal state of Trivium. The attack consists in resetting these IV bits register after the initialization phase of Trivium and whenever during the generation phase of the cipher stream. This hard fault attack does not rest on any particular assumption, excepted to have an encryption machine equipped with Trivium, and it works on a public (e.g., free, accessible) area of the internal state of Trivium and it does not give to the opponent the control of the reset time. This is a realistic attack which can be built using laser for example.

**Figure 2.** Fault Effect on a Register by Targeting the Reset Wire



#### The Attack

This attack focus on Full Trivium and manage to obtain both the **80**-bit secret key and the 80-bit IV. Equations of Table 4 show that generated keystream bits can be expressed in terms of polynomial functions of internal state bits. Unfortunately their lengths increase exponentially according to the number of rounds and their degrees become very high. The main idea of this attack is to reset the IV-bit register by targetting its reset wire whenever during the cipher stream generation and keep the generated keystream bits. The interest of this reset action is that the degree of these polynomial functions is kept low.

#### Description of the Attack

In order to avoid any possible confusion, the notations used in this section

are the following. The *Internal State* of Full Trivium at time k is noted  $E_k$  and its 288 internal bits  $s_0^k \dots s_{287}^k$  while the first one are simply noted  $s_0 \dots s_{287}$ .

This attack has three distinct phases counter numbered to distinguish the operational aspect (dashed way in Figure 2) of the attack to the offensive one (continuous way in Figure 2). The first phase denoted by **Phase 3** with two steps, **Step 1** and **Step 2**, is a *preparation* part. The second phase denoted by **Phase 2** is typically the *reset* part. The last phase denoted by **Phase 1** is a particular *iteration* part. The general description of the attack is shown in Figure 3.

The <u>operational aspect of the attack</u> is the following. In **Step 1** of **Phase 3** we start with the initial internal state  $E_0$  filled with the 80-bit secret key, the **80**-bit IV according to the initial load of Table 2. After 1,152 initialization rounds we obtain the first internal state  $E_1$  used to generate the keystream. In **Step 2** of **Phase 3** we generate N + 84 bits of keystream from this state  $E_1$ . The parameter N is a natural integer uncontrolled by the attacker (pointing out the fact that this attack can be made whenever during the cipher stream generation). We obtain the second internal state  $E_2$ . The last 84 bits of the keystream are noted  $y_0 \dots y_{83}$ . In **Phase 2** we apply the reset action to the 80-bit IV positions  $s_{93}^2 \dots s_{172}^2$  of the internal state  $E_2$  and obtain the third internal state  $E_3$  to generate one keystream bit. In **Phase 1** we repeat this procedure 436 times with the new obtained internal state  $E_3$ . That is, one keystream bit is generated from the internal state  $E_3$  then the 80-bit IV positions of the internal state  $E_3$  are reseted and so on. We finish with the last internal state  $E_4$  and note  $a_0 \dots a_{435}$  the 436 bits of the obtained keystream.

The offensive aspect of the attack is the following. We start with **Phase 1** and find all the 288-bit internal state  $E_3$  from the last 436-bit generated keystream  $a_0 \dots a_{435}$ . We go on with **Phase 2** and determine all the 288-bit internal state  $E_2$  from the last 84-bit generated keystream  $y_0 \dots y_{83}$ . We achieve the attack with **Phase 3** by counter round Trivium from the 288-bit internal state  $E_2$  to the entire initial internal state  $E_0$ . In this way, we have managed to guess both the **80**-bit secret key and the 80-bit Initial Values of the Full Trivium.

We now describe in detail each phase of this attack relatively to the offensive way.

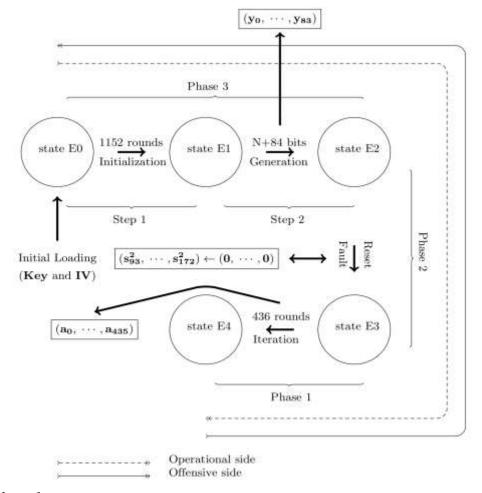


Figure 3. Complete Scheme Attack on Full Trivium

Phase 1

In this first phase, the goal is to find all the 288 bits  $s_0^3 \dots s_{287}^3$  of the internal state  $E_3$  from the last 436 bits  $a_0 \dots a_{435}$  of generated keystream.

#### The Linear System

The last 436-bit generated keystream  $a_0 \dots a_{435}$  could be expressed in terms of polynomial functions of the 288 bits  $s_i^3$  of the internal state  $E_3$ . The main interest of the reset action made during **Phase 2** is that the degree of these polynomials will be kept low. In a first time, we keep only polynomials for which their degree is less or equal to two. Then we consider all binomial of type  $s_i^3 s_{i+1}^3$  like variables similarly as the  $s_i^3$ . We obtain an linear system in which we add the condition that all equations have to be linearly independent in  $\mathbb{R}$ . After deleting all unused variables we obtain an linear system of 257 equations with 319 unknowns.

$$Z = AX \tag{1}$$

Where **Z** and **X** are the column vectors

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 , \cdots , a_{174} , a_{180} , \cdots , a_{201} , \cdots , a_{243} , \cdots , a_{249} , a_{393} , \cdots , a_{399} , \\ a_{405} , \cdots , a_{408} , a_{414} , \cdots , a_{417} , a_{423} , \cdots , a_{426} , a_{432} , \cdots , a_{435} \end{bmatrix}$$
 
$$X = \begin{bmatrix} s_0^3 , \cdots , s_{92}^3 , s_{173}^3 , \cdots , s_{287}^3 , s_{173}^3 s_{174}^3 , s_{174}^3 s_{175}^3 , s_{177}^3 s_{178}^3 , \cdots , s_{285}^3 s_{286}^3 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{258,319}(\mathbb{F}_2)$  (binary 258 × 319 matrix).

The Reorganization of the Matrix A

There are 111 variables in X that can be expressed as the product of two other variables.

We reorganize the matrix A into two parts. We choose in  $\mathbb{F}_2$  the bits  $s_{226}^3, \cdots, s_{287}^3$  from which we obtain directly the bits  $s_{226}^3 s_{227}^3, \cdots, s_{286}^3 s_{287}^3$ . Then we have to calculate the bits  $s_0^3, \cdots, s_{225}^3$  and the other products. We reorganize the columns of A and therefore the vector X in order to have the assumption bits and their products on the right part of A and the unknown bits on the left part of A. We note  $A_{ord} \in \mathcal{M}_{258,319}(\mathbb{F}_2)$  and  $X_{ord} \in \mathcal{M}_{258,1}(\mathbb{F}_2)$  the obtained arranged matrix and vector.

$$Z = A_{ord} \cdot X_{ord} \tag{2}$$

Where  $X_{ord}$  is the column vector

$$\begin{split} X_{ord} &= \\ \left[ \ s_0^3 \ , \cdots \ , s_{92}^3 \ , s_{173}^3 \ , \cdots \ , s_{225}^3 \ , s_{173}^3 s_{174}^3 \ , s_{174}^3 s_{175}^3 \ , s_{177}^3 s_{178}^3 \ , \cdots \ , s_{225}^3 s_{226}^3 \ , \\ s_{226}^3 \ , \cdots \ , s_{287}^3 \ , s_{226}^3 s_{227}^3 \ , \cdots \ , s_{285}^3 s_{286}^3 \ \right] \end{split}$$

and  $A_{ord} \in \mathcal{M}_{258,319}(\mathbb{F}_2)$  (binary  $258 \times 319$  matrix).

The Triangulation of the Matrix  $A_{ord}$ 

Similarly to the Gaussian elimination method we find a square and invertible binary matrix  $U \in \mathcal{M}_{258,258}(\mathbb{F}_2)$  such that

$$U.Z = T.X_{ord} \tag{3}$$

Where  $T = U.A_{ord}$  with  $T \in \mathcal{M}_{258,319}(\mathbb{F}_2)$  an upper triangular matrix of rank 198.

As there are many "1" on the diagonal we find almost unknown left bits  $X_{ord,i}$ .

#### The Final Linear System

We calculate  $Z_U = U.Z$  with  $Z_U$  a binary vector of length 258  $(Z_U \in \mathcal{M}_{258,1}(\mathbb{F}_2))$  and write obtained equations from (3) beginning with the last lines. We consider the  $i^{th}$  line i. If there is an "1" on the diagonal (which is always true excepted for the three bits  $s_{90}^3$ ,  $s_{91}^3$ ,  $s_{92}^3$  and some other variables like  $s_i^3 s_{i+1}^3$ ) we get out the variable and obtain a linear equation of type

$$X_{ord,i} = L_{ord,i}(X_{ord,i+1}, \cdots, X_{ord,319}) \quad (4)$$

where  $L_{ord,i}$  is a linear function. In the counter case, we can always either exploit the equation to get out an unknown variable or use this equation as a test. If the test is true we go on solving the system else we stop the calculus as there is no solution for these taken  $X_{ord,i}$  on hypothesis. Therefore, we can express bits  $s_{280}^3$ , ...,  $s_{287}^3$  in term of bits  $s_{226}^3$ , ...,  $s_{279}^3$  which allows us to reduce the number of hypothesis variables to  $s_{226}^3$ , ...,  $s_{279}^3$ . We have added two more conditions by taking some  $a_i$  which are polynomial of degree greater than two in order to obtain at least the same number of conditions than assumption bits.

# Particular Case of $s_{90}^3$ , $s_{91}^3$ , $s_{92}^3$

There is no equation from (3) that allow to determine the bits  $s_{90}^3$ ,  $s_{91}^3$ ,  $s_{92}^3$ . But these bits are used only after all tests in the system from (3). Therefore, it's possible to not consider them as the bits  $s_{226}^3$ , ...,  $s_{279}^3$  taking on hypothesis and fix them if we are sure that bits  $s_{226}^3$ , ...,  $s_{279}^3$  are good and that only bits  $s_0^3$ , ...,  $s_{89}^3$  remain to determine. The system is shown on Table 5.

**Table 5.** Phase 2 - Particular Case of  $s_{90}^3$ ,  $s_{91}^3$ ,  $s_{92}^3$ 

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Particular case Pseudo code  \begin{array}{l} \textbf{Input}: s_{226}^3, \cdots, s_{279}^3 \\ \textbf{First part of the system} \\ \textbf{Calculation of } s_{326}^3 s_{227}^3, \cdots, s_{278}^3 s_{279}^3 \\ \textbf{by the definition of } s_{i+1} \\ \textbf{Calculation of } s_{280}^3, \cdots, s_{287}^3 \\ \textbf{with obtain equation from (3)} \\ \textbf{Calculation of } s_{279}^3 s_{280}^3, \cdots, s_{286}^3 s_{287}^3 \\ \textbf{First tests} \\ \textbf{If false Then exit} \\ \textbf{Calculation of } s_{225}^3, \cdots, s_{220}^3 \\ \textbf{and } s_{225}^3 s_{226}^3, \cdots, s_{220}^3 s_{221}^3 \\ \textbf{with equations from (3)} \\ \textbf{Calculation of } s_{219}^3, \cdots, s_{173}^3 \\ \textbf{and } s_{219}^3 s_{220}^3, \cdots, s_{173}^3 s_{174}^3 \\ \textbf{with equations from (3)} \\ \textbf{(each calculus of } s_{isi+1} \\ \textbf{ is followed by several tests} ) \\ \textbf{Second part of the system} \\ \textbf{(From here, if all tests have been satisfied then the Input bits are good and we know bits } s_{173}^3, \cdots, s_{287}^3 \\ \textbf{For } ((s_{90}^3, s_{91}^3, s_{92}^3) = (0,0,0), \cdots, (1,1,1)) \\ \textbf{Do} \\ \textbf{Calculation of } s_{89}^3, \cdots, s_0^3 \\ \textbf{from } s_{173}^3, \cdots, s_{287}^3 \\ \textbf{previously obtained from (3)} \\ \textbf{Second tests} \\ \textbf{If true Then we have find } E_3 \\ \textbf{and stop} \\ \textbf{EndFor} \\ \\ \textbf{EndFor} \\ \hline \end{tabular}
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The test condition of the second part of the system are derived from the polynomial  $a_i$  of degree greater than two which have not been satisfied during the construction of the matrix A and the tests on  $y_0 \dots y_{14}$  which are common with the **Phase 2** of the attack.

Solving the System

All we have to do is to solve the system for all the possible binary 54-tuple  $(s_{226}^3, \dots, s_{279}^3)$ . If all test have been verified during the solution of the system then assumption bits  $s_{226}^3, \dots, s_{279}^3$  are right. We have found the entire internal state  $E_3$ . Else, the solution of the system stops at the first false test condition.

#### Phase 2

We have determined all the 288 bits  $s_0^3$ , ...,  $s_{287}^3$  of the internal state  $E_3$ . In this second phase, the goal is to find all the 288 bits  $s_0^2$ , ...,  $s_{287}^2$  of the internal state  $E_2$  from the last 84 bits  $y_0$ , ...,  $y_{83}$  of generated keystream.

The 
$$s_{93}^2$$
, ...,  $s_{161}^2$  Bits

Finding the 288 bits  $s_0^2$ , ...,  $s_{287}^2$  of the internal state  $E_2$  is equivalent to determine the 80 bits of IV which have been reseted at the beginning of **Phase** 2. We use the 84 bits  $y_0$ , ...,  $y_{83}$  of the obtained keystream before the reset. We counter write Trivium generation equations and write the  $y_i$  in terms of internal state bits of  $E_2$ . But as the size of these obtained equations increase exponentially and their degree goes up linearly it is hard full to write them or

simplify them after 20 counter rounds. Fortunately the last  $y_i$  have the following form.

$$\begin{aligned} y_{83} &= s_{93}^2 + P_{93}(s_0^2, \cdots, s_{92}^2, s_{162}^2, \cdots, s_{287}^2) \\ y_{82} &= s_{94}^2 + P_{94}(s_0^2, \cdots, s_{93}^2, s_{162}^2, \cdots, s_{287}^2) \\ y_{81} &= s_{95}^2 + P_{95}(s_0^2, \cdots, s_{94}^2, s_{162}^2, \cdots, s_{287}^2) \\ y_{80} &= s_{96}^2 + P_{96}(s_0^2, \cdots, s_{95}^2, s_{162}^2, \cdots, s_{287}^2) \\ \vdots &\vdots \\ y_{15} &= s_{161}^2 + P_{161}(s_0^2, \cdots, s_{160}^2, s_{162}^2, \cdots, s_{287}^2) \end{aligned}$$

Where  $P_i$  is a polynomial function . If we know bits  $s_{162}^2$ ,  $\cdots$ ,  $s_{172}^2$  and  $E_3$  (it means bits  $s_0^2$ ,  $\cdots$ ,  $s_{92}^2$ ,  $s_{173}^2$ ,  $\cdots$ ,  $s_{287}^2$ ) we can solve the system. For i=93 to i=161 we can determine  $P_i(s_0^2,\cdots,s_{i-1}^2,s_{162}^2,\cdots,s_{287}^2)$  with 94-i counter rounds iteration of Trivium from the internal state  $E_3$  in which we add the bits  $s_{162}^2$ ,  $\cdots$ ,  $s_{172}^2$  and  $s_{92}^2$ ,  $\cdots$ ,  $s_{i-1}^2$  of the internal state  $E_2$ . Therefore we can evaluate the bits  $s_i^2$  of the internal state  $E_2$ . We repeat 69 times this procedure and obtain all 288 bits  $s_0^2$ ,  $\cdots$ ,  $s_{287}^2$  of the internal state  $E_2$  from the internal state  $E_3$  and the bits  $s_{162}^2$ ,  $\cdots$ ,  $s_{172}^2$ .

$$\begin{array}{l} s_{93}^2 \leftarrow y_{83} + P_{93}(s_0^2 \dots s_{92}^2, s_{162}^2 \dots s_{287}^2) \\ s_{94}^2 \leftarrow y_{82} + P_{94}(s_0^2 \dots s_{93}^2, s_{162}^2 \dots s_{287}^2) \\ \vdots \leftarrow \vdots \\ s_{161}^2 \leftarrow y_{15} + P_{161}(s_0^2 \dots s_{160}^2, s_{162}^2 \dots s_{287}^2) \end{array}$$

The Internal State  $E_2$ 

To find the bits  $s_{93}^2$ , ...,  $s_{172}^2$  we proceed as the following.

We assume the bits  $s_{162}^2$ , ...,  $s_{172}^2$ .

We calculate the bits  $s_{93}^2$ , ...,  $s_{161}^2$  from the bits  $y_{15}$ , ...,  $y_{83}$  by the previous method. We will have the internal state  $E_2$  if the previous assume bits are good.

We verify that we obtain the bits  $y_0$ , ...,  $y_{14}$  by counter round the previous state from 70 to 84 rounds. If it's the case we have find the internal state  $E_2$  else we have to change the assume bits of the first step and replay the procedure.

To verify the 11 assume bits  $s_{162}^2$ , ...,  $s_{172}^2$  with the 15 bits  $y_0$ , ...,  $y_{14}$  of keystream is typically an empirical result. Some experimental tests have shown us that if we take less than 11 bits we could find several states  $E_2$  from bits  $y_i$ 

and from  $E_3$ . We don't prove this result as bits  $y_0$ , ...,  $y_{14}$  are polynomial functions of bits of  $E_2$  for which the degree is around 70.

We have guessed the internal state  $E_3$  during **Phase 1** then the internal state  $E_2$  in **Phase 2**, we now have all the necessary information to determine for example the keystream bits generated before the reset by counter rounding Trivium. As the main goal of this paper is to attack Trivium, it means guess both the secret key bits and the IV bits, we go on with the last phase.

#### 1. Phase 3

We have guessed all the 288 bits  $s_0^2$ , ...,  $s_{287}^2$  of the internal state  $E_2$ . In this last phase, it remains to find all the 288 bits  $s_0$ , ...,  $s_{287}$  of the first internal state  $E_0$ .

We counter round Trivium (Table 6) from the 288-bit internal state  $E_2$  until all the bits  $s_{80}$ , ...,  $s_{92}$ ,  $s_{173}$ , ...,  $s_{284}$  are equal to "0" and the three bits  $s_{285}$ ,  $s_{286}$ ,  $s_{287}$  are equal to "1" (1152 + N + 84 counter rounds in total). At the end we obtain both the 80-bit secret key and the 80-bit Initial Values of the Full Trivium.

Table 6. Phase 3 - Pseudo-Code

#### The Complexity

In **Phase 1** we have to test all the possible binary 54-tuple  $(s_{226}^3, \dots, s_{279}^3)$  of the system done by (4). With an optimized implementation using 64-bit type structure in which we fix the values of  $(s_{226}^3, \dots, s_{231}^3)$  relatively to Table 7 in order to obtain all the possible 6-tuple bitwise these 6 variables. Therefore, testing all the 54-tuple  $(s_{226}^3, \dots, s_{279}^3)$  is equivalent to test all the possible 48-tuple  $0xFFFFFFF.(s_{232}^3, \dots, s_{279}^3)$ . Finally, **Phase 1** has a maximal complexity equal to  $2^{48}$  (with a complexity mean equal to  $2^{47}$ ). We have to try

out all the possible 48-tuple  $(s_{232}^3, \dots, s_{279}^3)$  in the worst case.

**Table 7.** Choices of  $s_{226}^3$ , ...,  $s_{231}^3$ 

| 6-tuple                  | distribution  |
|--------------------------|---|
| $s_{226}^{3} \leftarrow$ | $\begin{array}{l} -000000000000000000000000000000000111111$ |
| 8327 ←                   | -0000000000000000111111111111111111000000                   |
| s3208 ←                  | - 0000000011111111100000000111111111000000                  |
| 8320 +                   | - 0000111100001111000011110000111100001111                  |
| s3230 ←                  | -00110011001100110011001100110011001100                     |
| 8331 C                   | -01010101010101010101010101010101010101                     |

**Phase 2** has a maximal complexity equal to  $2^{11}$  (with a complexity mean equal to  $2^{10}$ ). We have to try out all the possible 11-tuple ( $s_{162}^2$ , ...,  $s_{172}^2$ ) in the worst case which represents only 2,048 cases to test.

**Phase 3** has a complexity equal to N which could appear very high if we build our attack with a large number of generated keystream bits. But as the maximal keystream length of Trivium is  $2^{64}$  then the maximal complexity of this phase is  $2^{64}$  in the worst case.

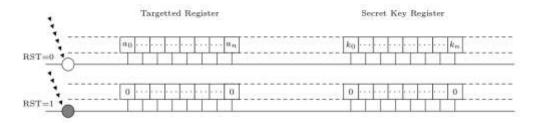
The three phases of our attack are totally independent and are executed sequentially and only once. Therefore the complexity C of the entire attack is the sum of the complexity of each of its phases:  $C = 2^{48} + 2^{11} + N$ . We assume that  $N < 2^{47}$  which means that we build our attack after generating  $2^{47}$  bits of keystream. This assumption is highly credible relatively to this quantity of generated bits (128 terabytes). Therefore we can establish the complexity of the complete attack.

$$C = \mathcal{O}(2^{48})$$

#### **Proposed Countermeasures**

We have shown that Trivium is weak under hard fault attack. A hardware countermeasure could help the encryption machine equipped with Trivium to avoid and/or detect faults. This attack targets the reset wire of the 80-bit initial value (IV) register in order to stick it to a constant. A suitable countermeasure should be an efficient protection with light detectors, all over the reset wire (high cost) or around the targeted register (low cost) in order to increase the introduction difficulty and to make impossible the repetitively. This protection could be active and react to the reset fault by sticking the secret key bits register to a constant, loosing definitively its original value (Figure 4).

Figure 4. Countermeasure on the Reset Wire



#### Conclusion

This paper presents a new and efficient attack on the hardware-oriented synchronous stream cipher Full Trivium. This original hard fault reset based attack allows to recover both the 80-bit secret key and the 80-bit IV with a complexity less than  $\mathcal{O}(2^{48})$ . The main idea of this attack is to exploit the 80bit initial value (IV) register by targeting its reset wire in order to stick it to a constant whenever during the cipher stream generation. Although this attack does not rest on any particular assumption, it needs to have a full version of Trivium implemented on an encryption machine. This is a realistic two-stage attack with an operational side and an offensive side which can be made in a hardware context. We have proposed a suitable countermeasure using an efficient active protection with light detectors to face this attack. An other effective idea of this attack is the particular bits structure which considers the product of two consecutive variables  $s_i s_{i+1}$  like a simple variable  $s_i$  and the implementation improvement with a 64-bit type structure. As Trivium allows for highly parallelized implementations, this attack should succeed rapidly with a fast and powerful clustered computers architecture. A further research investigation could be to implement this attack on the escargot ASIC design [28] developed at the University of sheffield where development and performance assessment of suitable hardware designs which implement the candidate cipher primitives have been made. This attack seems to offer great investments opportunities and reinforce our motivation to go on with this new kind of approach.

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