

# Finding Three-Subset Division Property for Ciphers with Complex Linear Layers (Full Version)

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**Abstract.** Conventional bit-based division property (CBDP) and bit-based division property using three subsets (BDPT) introduced by Todo *et al.* at FSE 2016 are the most effective techniques for finding integral characteristics of symmetric ciphers. At ASIACRYPT 2019, Wang *et al.* proposed the idea of modeling the propagation of BDPT, and recently Liu *et al.* described a model set method that characterized the BDPT propagation. However, the linear layers of the block ciphers which are analyzed using the above two methods of BDPT propagation are restricted to simple bit permutation. Thus the feasibility of the MILP method of BDPT propagation to analyze ciphers with complex linear layers is not settled. In this paper, we focus on constructing an automatic search algorithm that can accurately characterize BDPT propagation for ciphers with complex linear layers. We first introduce BDPT propagation rule for the binary diffusion layer and model that propagation in MILP efficiently. The solutions to these inequalities are exact BDPT trails of the binary diffusion layer. Next, we propose a new algorithm that models Key-Xor operation in BDPT based on MILP technique. Based on these ideas, we construct an automatic search algorithm that accurately characterizes the BDPT propagation and we prove the correctness of our search algorithm. We demonstrate our model for the block ciphers with non-binary diffusion layers by decomposing the non-binary linear layer trivially by the COPY and XOR operations. Therefore, we apply our method to search integral distinguishers based on BDPT of SIMON, SIMON(102), PRINCE, MANTIS, PRIDE, and KLEIN block ciphers. For PRINCE and MANTIS, we find  $(2 + 2)$  and  $(3 + 3)$  round integral distinguishers respectively which are longest to date. We also improve the previous best integral distinguishers of PRIDE and KLEIN. For SIMON, SIMON(102), the integral distinguishers found by our method are consistent with the existing longest distinguishers.

**Keywords.** BDPT, Complex Linear Layer, Binary Matrix, MILP

## 1 Introduction

**Division Property.** At Eurocrypt 2015, Todo [Tod15] introduced Division property which is a novel strategy to discover integral characteristics to search integral distinguishers of block cipher structures (Feistel structure and SPN structure). Later, Todo and Morii [TM16] introduced bit-based division property

(which is actually called Conventional Bit-based Division Property (CBDP)), which could be treated as an exceptional instance of division property. Actually CBDP classify all vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathbb{F}_2^n$  into two subsets such that the parity of  $\bigoplus_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{X}} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}}$  is 0 or *unknown* (where  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}}$  is defined as  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}} := \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{u_i}$ ). Moreover, at CRYPTO 2016, Boura and Canteaut [BC16] presented a different perspective on the division property, called 'parity set'.

The intricacy of using CBDP was generally equivalent to  $2^n$  for a  $n$ -bit primitives. Henceforth, the gigantic intricacy limited the wide uses of CBDP. To tackle the limitation of the tremendous complexity, Xiang *et al.* [XZBL16] applied MILP-strategy to look through integral distinguisher dependent on CBDP and they applied this modeling technique to six lightweight block ciphers. By extending and improving this method, the integral attacks have been applied to many ciphers and many better integral distinguisher has been found [SWW16, SWW17, ZR19, HWW20, HLLT20, LDF20, HLLT21].

**Three-subset Division Property.** Although CBDP can find more precise integral distinguishers than other methods, the accuracy is never perfect. To find more accurate distinguishers, the bit-based division property using three subsets (BDPT) was proposed in [TM16]. BDPT divides all vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathbb{F}_2^n$  into two subsets such that the parity of  $\bigoplus_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{X}} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}}$  is 0, 1 or *unknown*. Essentially, the set *unknown* in CBDP is divided into 1-subset and *unknown* subset in BDPT. As a result, BDPT can find more precise integral characteristics than CBDP. For example, CBDP demonstrated the existence of SIMON32's 14-round integral distinguisher whereas BDPT discovered SIMON32's 15-round integral distinguisher [Tod15].

Despite of its successful combination of the MILP and the CBDP, the MILP modeling technique does not work quite well with the BDPT. As in case of BDPT we have to track the division property propagation of two sets ( $\mathbb{K}$  (the *unknown* subset) and  $\mathbb{L}$  (the 1-subset)) as well as the influence of the set  $\mathbb{L}$  on the set  $\mathbb{K}$  should also be traced which makes the procedure of constructing automatic search algorithm based on BDPT complicated.

First, Hu *et al.* [HW19] proposed variant three subset division property (VTDP) and applied this method to improve some integral distinguishers although it sacrifices quite some accuracy of BDPT. Therefore, Wang *et al.* [WHG<sup>+</sup>19] proposed the idea of modeling the propagation for the BDPT and recently Liu *et al.* [LWZ22] proposed a model set method to search integral distinguishers based on BDPT. Both of these methods have been applied to the block ciphers having simple bit permutation as their linear layer.

## 1.1 Motivation

The idea of modeling BDPT propagation which is described in [WHG<sup>+</sup>19] is that each node on the breadth-first search algorithm is regarded as the starting point of division trails, and the MILP evaluates whether there is a feasible solution from every node. According to their searching algorithm, we can run this algorithm to any block cipher efficiently only if we can divide the round function into

several appropriate parts. Therefore, it is very difficult to model BDPT propagation using this technique for the ciphers with complex linear layers. Next, Liu *et al.* [LWZ22] proposed model set method to search BDPT where the authors constructed  $r$  different MILP models for  $r$ -round block ciphers which is a bit complicated. Moreover, both these methods have been applied to the block ciphers having linear layers as simple bit permutation. Now, the following question arises:

*Is MILP method of BDPT propagation efficiently applicable for ciphers with complex linear layers?*

## 1.2 Our Contributions

To address this question, first we propose an idea to find BDPT propagation through the binary (complex) linear layer accurately and then we construct an automatic search algorithm for BDPT in this paper. The details of our technical contributions are listed as follows:

**Model the BDPT Propagation of Binary Linear Layer.** We give an idea to find exact BDPT propagation through the binary (complex) linear layer which is a new method that helps us to construct MILP model of BDPT propagation through the binary linear layer accurately. We actually find that the rows of the primitive matrix corresponding to the binary mixcolumn matrix can be divided into some cosets with the property that the rows in different cosets have no common nonzero entries in the same column. Using this interesting property, we can easily find accurate BDPT propagation and can give a description of such propagation by smallest number of inequalities.

**Construction of Automatic Search Algorithm for BDPT.** To search for BDPT, first we construct the MILP models for key-independent components of the round function of block ciphers. When a Key-Xor operation is applied, new vectors generated from the set  $\mathbb{L}$  will be added to the set  $\mathbb{K}$ . Therefore, how to model Key-Xor operation accurately is a complex problem. To solve this problem, we construct a new efficient algorithm that models each Key-Xor operation based on MILP technique. Finally, by selecting appropriate initial BDPT and stopping rules we construct an automatic search algorithm that accurately characterize BDPT propagation using only two MILP models which is much simpler than the algorithm described in [LWZ22]. Moreover, we prove the correctness of our search algorithm.

**Applications.** As for the application of our methodology, first time we apply BDPT on block ciphers with complex linear layers. We apply our automatic search model to search integral distinguishers of PRINCE [BCG<sup>+</sup>12], MANTIS [BJK<sup>+</sup>16], KLEIN [GNL11], PRIDE [ADK<sup>+</sup>14], SIMON [BSS<sup>+</sup>15], and SIMON(102) [KLT15]. The results are shown in Table 1.

At first, we apply our method on PRINCE and MANTIS which have binary linear layer. We find  $2 + 2$  round integral distinguisher for PRINCE which is one more round than the previous best integral distinguisher [EKKT18] and find  $3 + 3$  round integral distinguisher for MANTIS which is also one more round than the previous best integral distinguisher [EKKT18] where we denote  $a$  are the rounds before the middle layer, and  $b$  are the rounds after the middle layer and  $a + b$  as total number of rounds.

**Table 1.** Summarization of Integral Distinguishers

Cipher	Data	Round	Number of constant bits	Time	References
MANTIS	$2^{32}$	3+2	16	-	[EKKT18]
	$2^{63}$	<b>3+3</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>2h8m</b>	<b>Sect. 5.1</b>
PRINCE	$2^{32}$	2+1	64	-	[EKKT18]
	$2^{63}$	<b>2+2</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>21h45m</b>	<b>Sect. 5.1</b>
PRIDE64*	-	8	-	-	[XZZ21]
	$2^{63}$	<b>9</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>2h35m</b>	<b>Sect. 5.2</b>
KLEIN64	$2^{32}$	5	64	-	[YWLZ11]
	$2^{62}$	<b>6</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>45m</b>	<b>Sect. 5.2</b>

\* In [XZZ21], the authors have only mentioned that PRIDE64 has 8-round integral distinguisher and no other information is available best known to us.

To complete our BDPT analysis on ciphers with complex linear layers, we apply our method to KLEIN and PRIDE which have non-binary linear layers. As there are no known results on them related to CDBP, then we first apply MILP based CDBP on them and find 6-round and 9-round integral distinguishers for KLEIN and PRIDE respectively which are one more rounds to previous best integral distinguishers [YWLZ11, XZZ21]. Therefore, we apply our MILP based BDPT method and the integral distinguishers we find are in accordance with the integral distinguishers we find based on CDBP. Finally, we apply our method to all variants of SIMON, and SIMON(102) block ciphers and the distinguishers we find are in accordance with the previous longest distinguishers [LWZ22] but we get these results in better time.

### 1.3 Organization of the Paper

This paper is organized as follows: In Section 2, we briefly recall some background knowledge about the bit-based division property. In Section 3, we studies how to model basic operations used in the round function of a block cipher by the MILP technique and introduce exact modelling of complex (binary) linear layer in BDPT. Section 4 studies the initial and stopping rules, and search algorithm. We show some applications of our model in Section 5. At last we conclude the paper in Section 6.

## 2 Preliminaries

### 2.1 Notation

Let  $\mathbb{F}_2$  denote the finite field  $\{0, 1\}$  and  $\mathbf{a} = (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}) \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$  be an  $n$ -bit vector, where  $a_i$  denotes the  $i$ -th bit of  $\mathbf{a}$ . For  $n$ -bit vectors  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{u}$ , define  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}} = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i^{u_i}$ . Then, for any  $\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$  and  $\mathbf{k}' \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$ , define  $\mathbf{k} \succeq \mathbf{k}'$  if  $k_i \geq k'_i$  holds for all  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ , and define  $\mathbf{k} \succ \mathbf{k}'$  if  $k_i > k'_i$  holds for all  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ . For a subset  $\mathcal{I} \subseteq \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$ ,  $\mathbf{u}_{\mathcal{I}}$  denotes an  $n$ -dimensional bit vector  $(u_0, u_1, \dots, u_{n-1})$  satisfying  $u_i = 1$  if  $i \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $u_i = 0$  otherwise. We simply write  $\mathbb{K} \leftarrow \mathbf{k}$  when  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{K} \cup \{\mathbf{k}\}$  and  $\mathbb{K} \rightarrow \mathbf{k}$  when  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{K} \setminus \{\mathbf{k}\}$ . And  $|\mathbb{K}|$  denotes the number of elements in the set  $\mathbb{K}$ . We denote  $[n] = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ ,  $\mathbf{1} = 1^n$ , and  $\mathbf{0} = 0^n$ . We denote  $i$ -th unit vector in  $\mathbb{F}_2^n$  as  $\mathbf{e}_i$ .

### 2.2 Bit-Based Division Property

Two kinds of bit-based division property (CBDP and BDPT) were introduced by Todo and Morii at FSE 2016 [TM16]. Their definitions are as follows.

**Definition 1.** (*CBDP [TM16]*). Let  $\mathbb{X}$  be a multiset whose elements take a value of  $\mathbb{F}_2^n$ . Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a set whose elements take an  $n$ -dimensional bit vector. When the multiset  $\mathbb{X}$  has the division property  $D_{\mathbb{K}}^{1^n}$ , it fulfils the following conditions:

$$\bigoplus_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{X}} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}} = \begin{cases} \text{unknown}, & \text{if there is } \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{K} \text{ satisfying } \mathbf{u} \succeq \mathbf{k}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Some propagation rules of CBDP are proven in [Tod15, TM16, XZBL16].

**Definition 2.** (*BDPT [TM16]*) Let  $\mathbb{X}$  be a multi-set whose elements take a value of  $\mathbb{F}_2^n$ . Let  $\mathbb{K}$  and  $\mathbb{L}$  be two sets whose elements take  $n$ -dimensional bit vectors. When the multi-set  $\mathbb{X}$  has the division property  $D_{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{L}}^{1^n}$ , it fulfils the following conditions:

$$\bigoplus_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{X}} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}} = \begin{cases} \text{unknown}, & \text{if there is } \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{K} \text{ satisfying } \mathbf{u} \succeq \mathbf{k}, \\ 1, & \text{else if there is } \mathbf{l} \in \mathbb{L} \text{ satisfying } \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{l}, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

If there are  $\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{K}$  and  $\mathbf{k}' \in \mathbb{K}$  satisfying  $\mathbf{k} \succeq \mathbf{k}'$  in the CBDP  $D_{\mathbb{K}}^{1^n}$ , then  $\mathbf{k}$  can be removed from  $\mathbb{K}$  because the vector  $\mathbf{k}$  is redundant. This progress is denoted as **Reduce0**( $\mathbb{K}$ ). Moreover, if there are  $\mathbf{l} \in \mathbb{L}$  and  $\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{K}$ , then the vector  $\mathbf{l}$  is also redundant if  $\mathbf{l} \succeq \mathbf{k}$ . This progress is denoted as **Reduce1**( $\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{L}$ ). The redundant vectors in  $\mathbb{K}$  and  $\mathbb{L}$  will not affect the parity of  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}}$  for any  $\mathbf{u}$ .

The propagation rules of  $\mathbb{K}$  in CBDP are the same with BDPT. So we only introduce the propagation rules of BDPT which are needed in this paper. For further details, please refer to [TM16, WHG<sup>+</sup>19].

**BDPT Rule 1 (Xor with The Secret Key [TM16].)** *Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be the input multiset satisfying  $D_{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{L}}^{1^n}$ . For the input  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{X}$ , the output  $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{Y}$  is  $\mathbf{y} = (x_0, \dots, x_i \oplus r_k, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{n-1})$ , where  $r_k$  is the secret key. Then, the output multiset  $\mathbb{Y}$  has  $D_{\mathbb{K}', \mathbb{L}'}^{1^n}$ , where  $\mathbb{K}'$  and  $\mathbb{L}'$  are computed as*

$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{L}' \leftarrow \mathbf{l} \text{ for } \mathbf{l} \in \mathbb{L}, \\ \mathbb{K}' \leftarrow \mathbf{k} \text{ for } \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{K}, \\ \mathbb{K}' \leftarrow (l_1, l_2, \dots, l_i \vee 1, \dots, l_n) \text{ for } \mathbf{l} \in \mathbb{L} \text{ satisfying } l_i = 0. \end{cases}$$

**BDPT Rule 2 (S-box [WHG<sup>+</sup>19].)** *For an S-box  $: \mathbb{F}_2^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_2^n$ , let  $\mathbf{x} = (x_0, \dots, x_{n-1})$  and  $\mathbf{y} = (y_0, \dots, y_{n-1})$  denote the input and output variables. And every  $y_i$ ,  $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$  can be expressed as a boolean function of  $(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1})$ . If the input BDPT of S-box is  $D_{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{L}=\{\mathbf{l}\}}^{1^n}$ , then the output BDPT of S-box can be calculated by  $D_{\text{Reduce0}(\mathbb{K}), \text{Reduce1}(\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{L})}^{1^n}$ ,*

$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{K} = \{\mathbf{u}' \in \mathbb{F}_2^n \mid \text{for any } \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{K}, \text{ if } \mathbf{y}^{\mathbf{u}'} \text{ contains any term } \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{v}} \text{ satisfying } \mathbf{v} \succeq \mathbf{u}\} \\ \mathbb{L} = \{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{F}_2^n \mid \mathbf{y}^{\mathbf{u}} \text{ contains the term } \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{l}}\} \end{cases}$$

*Let  $D_{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{L}=\{\mathbf{l}_0, \dots, \mathbf{l}_{r-1}\}}^{1^n}$  and  $D_{\mathbb{K}', \mathbb{L}'}^{1^n}$  be the input and output BDPT of S-box, respectively. We can get the output BDPT  $D_{\mathbb{K}', \mathbb{L}'}^{1^n}$  from the corresponding input BDPT  $D_{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{L}=\{\mathbf{l}_i\}}^{1^n}$  where  $i = 0, 1, \dots, r-1$ . Then,*

$$\mathbb{L}' = \{\mathbf{l} \mid \mathbf{l} \text{ appears odd times in sets } \mathbb{L}'_0, \dots, \mathbb{L}'_{r-1}\}$$

### 2.3 The MILP Model for CBDP

At Asiacrypt 2016, Xiang *et al.* [XZBL16] applied MILP method to search integral distinguishers based in CBDP, which allowed them to analyze block ciphers with large sizes. Firstly they introduced the concept of CBDP trail as follows:

**Definition 3 (CBDP Trail [XZBL16]).** *Consider the propagation of the division property  $\{\mathbf{k}\} \equiv \mathbb{K}_0 \xrightarrow{f_1} \mathbb{K}_1 \xrightarrow{f_2} \mathbb{K}_2 \xrightarrow{f_3} \dots$ . Moreover, for any vector  $\mathbf{k}_i^* \in \mathbb{K}_i$  ( $i \geq 1$ ), there must exist an vector  $\mathbf{k}_{i-1}^* \in \mathbb{K}_{i-1}$  such that  $\mathbf{k}_{i-1}^*$  can propagate to  $\mathbf{k}_i^*$  by CBDP propagation rules. Furthermore, for  $(\mathbf{k}_0^*, \mathbf{k}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{k}_r^*) \in \mathbb{K}_0 \times \mathbb{K}_1 \times \dots \times \mathbb{K}_r$ , if  $\mathbf{k}_{i-1}^*$  can propagate to  $\mathbf{k}_i^*$  for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, r\}$ , we call  $(\mathbf{k}_0^*, \mathbf{k}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{k}_r^*)$  an  $r$ -round CBDP trail.*

With the help of division trail, finding the CBDP is transformed into a problem of finding a division trail ended at a unit vector. For more details please refer to [XZBL16].

### 3 The MILP Model for BDPT

Suppose  $E_r$  is a  $r$ -round iterated block cipher whose round function  $f_i$  for  $i \in [r]$  consists of a non-linear layer, linear layer, and Key-Xor operation. Let  $f_k^i$  be the Key-Xor operation, and  $f_e^i$  be the rest of the operations in the  $i$ th round function  $f_i$  i.e.

$$f_i = f_k^i \circ f_e^i$$

Let, the input multiset  $\mathbb{X}$  to the block cipher  $E_r$  has initial BDPT as  $D_{\mathbb{K}_0=\{\mathbf{k}\}, \mathbb{L}_0=\{\mathbf{l}\}}^{1^n}$ , and for any  $i \in [r]$ , we denote the output BDPT as  $D_{\mathbb{K}_i, \mathbb{L}_i}^{1^n}$ . Now, for the operation  $f_e^i$ , we denote the BDPT propagation as

$$f_e^i(\mathbb{K}_{i-1}) = \mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*, \quad f_e^i(\mathbb{L}_{i-1}) = \mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*$$

We can evaluate the BDPT propagation for  $\mathbb{K}$  (*unknown* subset) and  $\mathbb{L}$  (1 subset) independently as per the BDPT propagation rules for linear and non-linear layers. Now, for the operation  $f_k^i$ , according to the BDPT Rule 1 some new vectors which are produced from the vectors in  $\mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*$  and those new vectors along with the vectors in  $\mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*$  are the vectors in the set  $\mathbb{K}_i$ , and the set  $\mathbb{L}_i$  is same as  $\mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*$ .

Now, we divide the operation  $f_k^i$  into two parts say  $f_1^i, f_2^i$  such that  $f_1^i$  is the operation where new elements are produced from each elements in  $\mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*$  according to BDPT Rule 1, and  $f_2^i$  is the operation which includes the new vectors and the vectors from  $\mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*$  in  $\mathbb{K}_i$  which is as follows:

$$(\mathbb{K}_i, \mathbb{L}_i) = f_k^i(\mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*, \mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*) = (f_2^i(f_1^i(\mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*), \mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*), \mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*) \quad (1)$$

Precisely,  $f_2^i$  is the union operation i.e.  $\mathbb{K}_i = f_1^i(\mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*) \cup \mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*$ .

To model the propagation of BDPT for the operations  $f_e^i$  and  $f_k^i$  for all  $i \in [r]$ , we reintroduce a notion named **BDPT trail**.<sup>1</sup>

**Definition 4 (BDPT Trail).** Let  $\mathbb{X}$  be the input multiset to the block cipher which has initial BDPT  $D_{\mathbb{K}_0=\{\mathbf{k}\}, \mathbb{L}_0=\{\mathbf{l}\}}^{1^n}$ , and denote the BDPT after  $r$ -round propagation through  $f_e^i, f_k^i$  for all  $i \in [r]$  by  $D_{\mathbb{K}_r, \mathbb{L}_r}^{1^n}$ , where  $r \geq 1$ . Thus we have the following chain of BDPT propagations:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \{\mathbf{k}\} \triangleq \mathbb{K}_0 & \xrightarrow{f_e^1} & \mathbb{K}_0^* & \xrightarrow{f_k^1} & \mathbb{K}_1 & \xrightarrow{f_e^2} & \mathbb{K}_1^* \cdots \mathbb{K}_{r-1} & \xrightarrow{f_e^r} & \mathbb{K}_{r-1}^* & \xrightarrow{f_k^r} & \mathbb{K}_r \\ & & & \swarrow & & & & & & \swarrow & \\ \{\mathbf{l}\} \triangleq \mathbb{L}_0 & \xrightarrow{f_e^1} & \mathbb{L}_0^* & & \mathbb{L}_1 & \xrightarrow{f_e^2} & \mathbb{L}_1^* \cdots \mathbb{L}_{r-1} & \xrightarrow{f_e^r} & \mathbb{L}_{r-1}^* & & \mathbb{L}_r \end{array}$$

<sup>1</sup> In [LWZ22], the authors have defined **BDPT trail**. We actually rewrite it according to our notations.

where  $\mathbb{K}_{i-1}^* = f_e^i(\mathbb{K}_{i-1})$ ,  $\mathbb{L}_{i-1}^* = f_e^i(\mathbb{L}_{i-1})$ , and  $(\mathbb{K}_i, \mathbb{L}_i) = f_k^i(\mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*, \mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*)$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq r$ . Moreover, for any vector tuple  $(\mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{l}_i)$ ,  $\mathbf{k}_i \in \mathbb{K}_i$ , and  $\mathbf{l}_i \in \mathbb{L}_i$  ( $i \in [r]$ ), there must exist  $(\mathbf{k}_{i-1}^*, \mathbf{l}_{i-1}^*)$ , where  $\mathbf{k}_{i-1}^* \in \mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*$ , and  $\mathbf{l}_{i-1}^* \in \mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*$  such that  $\mathbf{k}_{i-1}^* \in \mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*$  propagate to  $(\mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{l}_i)$  by BDPT propagation rule of Key-Xor, and there must exist  $(\mathbf{k}_{i-1}, \mathbf{l}_{i-1}) \in \mathbb{K}_{i-1} \times \mathbb{L}_{i-1}$  such that  $\mathbf{k}_{i-1}$  propagate to  $\mathbf{k}_{i-1}^*$ , and  $\mathbf{l}_{i-1}$  propagate to  $\mathbf{l}_{i-1}^*$  by BDPT propagation rules of linear and non-linear layers. Furthermore, for  $(\mathbf{k}_0, \mathbf{l}_0), \dots, (\mathbf{k}_r, \mathbf{l}_r) \in \mathbb{K}_0 \times \mathbb{L}_0 \times \dots \times \mathbb{K}_r \times \mathbb{L}_r$ , if  $(\mathbf{k}_{i-1}, \mathbf{l}_{i-1})$  can propagate to  $(\mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{l}_i)$  for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, r\}$ , we call

$$(\mathbf{k}_0, \mathbf{l}_0) \xrightarrow{f_e^1, f_k^1} (\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{l}_1) \xrightarrow{f_e^2, f_k^2} \dots \xrightarrow{f_e^r, f_k^r} (\mathbf{k}_r, \mathbf{l}_r)$$

an  $r$ -round BDPT trail.

Now, to model BDPT trail, we propose Proposition 1 according to Definition 4.

**Proposition 1.** *Let the input multiset  $\mathbb{X}$  has initial BDPT  $D_{\{\mathbf{k}\}, \{\mathbf{l}\}}^{1^n}$  and  $D_{\mathbb{K}_r, \mathbb{L}_r}^{1^n}$  denote the BDPT of the output multiset after  $r$ -round propagation. Then, the set of first components of the last vectors of all  $r$ -round BDPT trails which starts with the vector  $(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l})$  is equal to the set  $\mathbb{K}_r$  and the set of second components of the last vectors of all  $r$ -round BDPT trails which starts with the vector  $(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l})$  is equal to the set  $\mathbb{L}_r$ .*

Proof of this Proposition 1 directly follows from Definition 4.

### 3.1 Some Observations on BDPT Propagation Rule for S-box

S-box is an important component of block ciphers. For a lot of block ciphers it is the only non-linear part. Although any Boolean function can be evaluated by using three rules (COPY, XOR, AND), the propagation requires much time and memory complexity when Boolean function is complex. Inspired by the algorithm of calculating CBDP trails of S-box [XZBL16], Wang *et al.* proposed a generalized method to calculate BDPT division trails of S-box in [WHG<sup>+</sup>19] and we have mentioned the rule in BDPT Rule 2.

Let, the input BDPT of S-box is  $D_{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{L}=\{\mathbf{l}\}}^{1^n}$ , and according to the BDPT Rule 2, we have found the sets  $\underline{\mathbb{K}}$ , and  $\underline{\mathbb{L}}$  from  $\mathbb{K}$  and  $\mathbb{L}$  respectively as follows:

$$\begin{cases} \underline{\mathbb{K}} = \{\mathbf{u}' \in \mathbb{F}_2^n \mid \text{for any } \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{K}, \text{ if } \mathbf{y}^{\mathbf{u}'} \text{ contains any term } \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}} \text{ satisfying } \mathbf{v} \succeq \mathbf{u}\} \\ \underline{\mathbb{L}} = \{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{F}_2^n \mid \mathbf{y}^{\mathbf{u}} \text{ contains the term } \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{l}}\} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Now, according to the BDPT Rule 2, the output BDPT would be  $D_{\mathbb{K}', \mathbb{L}'}^{1^n}$  which is as follows:

$$\mathbb{K}' = \mathbf{Reduce0}(\underline{\mathbb{K}}), \mathbb{L}' = \mathbf{Reduce1}(\underline{\mathbb{K}}, \underline{\mathbb{L}})$$

Therefore, it is obvious that,  $\mathbb{K}' \subseteq \underline{\mathbb{K}}$ , and  $\mathbb{L}' \subseteq \underline{\mathbb{L}}$ . Here, we come to two observations as follows:



**Observation 1**  $\mathbb{L}'$  does not contain  $\mathbf{1}$  vector.

According to the BDPT propagation rule of S-box, as  $\mathbb{L}' = \mathbf{Reduce1}(\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{L})$ , and for any  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{K}$ ,  $\mathbf{1} \succeq \mathbf{u}$ , then  $\mathbb{L}'$  does not contain  $\mathbf{1}$  vector.

**Observation 2** If  $\mathbb{L} = \{\mathbf{0}\}$ , then  $\mathbb{L}' = \{\mathbf{0}\}$ .

Whenever,  $\mathbb{L} = \{\mathbf{0}\}$ , then  $\bigoplus_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{X}} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{0}} = 1$  which implies that the input multiset  $\mathbb{X}$  contains a constant term. Therefore, for all  $\mathbf{u} \succ \mathbf{0}$ ,  $\bigoplus_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{X}} \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}} = \text{unknown}$ . Hence, trivially  $\bigoplus_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{Y}} \mathbf{y}^{\mathbf{0}} = 1$  and  $\mathbb{L}' = \{\mathbf{0}\}$  where  $\mathbb{Y}$  is the output multiset.

Therefore, given an  $n$ -bit S-box and its input BDPT  $D_{\mathbb{K}=\{\mathbf{k}\}, \mathbb{L}=\{\mathbf{l}\}}^{1^n}$ , BDPT Rule 2 returns the output BDPT  $D_{\mathbb{K}', \mathbb{L}'}^{1^n}$ . Thus for any vector  $\mathbf{k}' \in \mathbb{K}'$ ,  $(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}')$  is a valid division trail for  $\mathbb{K}'$  of the S-box. Similarly, this holds for  $\mathbb{L}'$  as well. We know that, the vector  $\mathbf{l}$  does not affect the propagation of vector  $\mathbf{k}$  through the S-box, we will obtain a complete list of the division trail for  $\mathbb{K}'$  by traversing  $\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$  [XZBL16].

Similarly, for a certain input vector  $\mathbf{l} \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$ , we will obtain a certain set of division trails for  $\mathbb{L}$  using Eqn. 2 and then using Observation 1, and Observation 2 we will remove some invalid division trails from  $\mathbb{L}$  and obtain a set of division trail for  $\mathbb{L}'$ . Therefore, if we try all the  $2^n$  possible input vector  $\mathbf{l}$ , we will get a complete list of division trails for  $\mathbb{L}'$ .

In [WHG<sup>+</sup>19], the authors included some invalid BDPT trail for  $\mathbb{L}'$  set while obtaining a complete list of division trails for  $\mathbb{L}'$ . In [LWZ22], the authors have removed those invalid BDPT trail from  $\mathbb{L}'$  by introducing another algorithm which is actually equivalent to the algorithm of finding BDPT trail of S-box in [WHG<sup>+</sup>19] and by traversing  $\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$ . Now, our approach is similar to their idea [LWZ22] in a much simplified manner using two observations from BDPT Rule 2 which was introduced in [WHG<sup>+</sup>19].

In Supporting Material 7.1 we present the complete lists of all the division trails for  $\mathbb{L}$  of PRINCE S-box according to our method which is same if we apply the method the authors described in [LWZ22]. Therefore, after getting the BDPT trails for  $\mathbb{K}$  and  $\mathbb{L}$  of S-box, we construct the linear inequalities using the method described in [XZBL16] whose feasible solutions are exactly those BDPT trails which are shown in Supporting Material 7.2.

### 3.2 MILP Model of BDPT for Complex Linear Layer

In this section, we establish the idea to construct MILP model of BDPT for complex linear layer represented by a matrix  $M = (m_{i,j})_{s \times s} \in \mathbb{F}_{2^m}^{s \times s}$ . Given the irreducible polynomial of the field  $\mathbb{F}_2^m$  where the multiplications operate, the representation of the matrix over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  is unique, which we call the primitive matrix of  $M$  and is denoted by  $M' = (m'_{i,j})_{n \times n}$  where  $m'_{i,j} \in \mathbb{F}_2$  and  $n = m \times s$ . Therefore, if each  $m_{i,j}$  in  $M$  which is a polynomial in the extension field  $F_{2^m} \simeq \mathbb{F}[x]/(f)$ , where  $f$  is the irreducible polynomial over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  with degree  $m$ , is either 0 or 1 then  $M$  is called binary matrix and otherwise  $M$  is non-binary matrix.

Therefore, block ciphers with complex linear layer can be partitioned into two parts: (i) Block ciphers with binary linear layer and (ii) Block ciphers with non-binary linear layer, depending on the binary or non-binary matrix as its linear layer. Examples of block ciphers having binary linear layer are MIDORI, SKINNY, CRAFT, PRINCE, MANTIS etc. and AES, LED, KLEIN, PRIDE etc. have non-binary linear layer.

Now, an obvious way to model the BDPT propagation through any complex linear layer i.e.  $\mathbf{u}_1 \xrightarrow{M} \mathbf{v}_1$  in  $\mathbb{K}$  subset, and  $\mathbf{u}_2 \xrightarrow{M} \mathbf{v}_2$  in  $\mathbb{L}$  subset is that one can introduce some auxiliary binary variables and decompose it into the COPY and XOR operations. Therefore, by following the BDPT propagation rule of COPY and XOR, BDPT propagation through linear layer can be modeled. The obvious advantage of this model is that using this technique we can model BDPT propagation of any complex linear layer.

In [ZR19,HWW20], the authors have shown that using this technique one may introduce many invalid division trails in  $\mathbb{K}$  subset. Now, here we are going to show that if we use this COPY-XOR technique to handle binary linear layer then many invalid division trails may be added to the  $\mathbb{L}$  subset as well.

**An Example of Binary Matrices : The COPY-XOR Technique Cannot Find Accurate BDPT.** We give an example of the binary matrices that the COPY-XOR technique cannot trace its BDPT accurately.

*Example 1.* Suppose the linear layer is a matrix

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{F}_2^{4 \times 4}$$

Assume that input and output of  $M$  are  $\mathbf{x} = (x_4, x_3, x_2, x_1)^T$  and  $\mathbf{y} = (y_4, y_3, y_2, y_1)^T$  respectively, then we have  $\mathbf{y} = M\mathbf{x}$ . we transform the representation of this multiplication to a vectorial Boolean form as follows:

$$\begin{cases} y_4 = x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \\ y_3 = x_1 + x_2 + x_4 \\ y_2 = x_1 + x_3 + x_4 \\ y_1 = x_2 + x_3 + x_4 \end{cases}$$

Now, in order to use COPY-XOR technique to find BDPT propagation of  $\mathbb{K}$  and  $\mathbb{L}$ , we have to introduce some auxiliary variables. Table shows the division trail for  $\mathbb{L}$  subset of linear transformation  $M$ .

In Table 2, the bold vectors are actually invalid division trails for  $\mathbb{L}$  of linear transformation  $M$  which are produced following the COPY-XOR technique.

**Table 2.** Division Trails for  $\mathbb{L}$  of Linear Transformation  $M$

Input $l$	Output $\mathbb{L}$
[0, 0, 0, 0]	[0, 0, 0, 0]
[0, 0, 0, 1]	[0, 0, 1, 0], [0, 1, 0, 0], [0, 1, 1, 0], [1, 0, 0, 0], [1, 0, 1, 0], [1, 1, 0, 0], [1, 1, 1, 0]
[0, 0, 1, 0]	[0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 1, 0, 0], [0, 1, 0, 1], [1, 0, 0, 0], [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 1, 0, 0], [1, 1, 0, 1]
[0, 0, 1, 1]	[0, 0, 1, 1], [0, 1, 0, 1], [0, 1, 1, 0], [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 0], [1, 1, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0] [1, 1, 0, 0], [1, 0, 1, 1], [0, 1, 1, 1], [1, 1, 1, 1]
[0, 1, 0, 0]	[0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 1, 0], [0, 0, 1, 1], [1, 0, 0, 0], [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 0], [1, 0, 1, 1]
[0, 1, 0, 1]	[0, 0, 1, 1], [0, 1, 0, 1], [0, 1, 1, 0], [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 1], [1, 1, 0, 0], [1, 1, 1, 0] [0, 1, 1, 1], [1, 1, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 0], [1, 1, 1, 1]
[0, 1, 1, 0]	[0, 0, 1, 1], [0, 1, 0, 1], [0, 1, 1, 0], [1, 0, 1, 0], [1, 0, 1, 1], [1, 1, 0, 0], [1, 1, 0, 1] [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0], [0, 1, 1, 1], [1, 1, 1, 1]
[0, 1, 1, 1]	[1, 0, 1, 1], [1, 1, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0], [0, 1, 1, 1], [1, 1, 1, 1]
[1, 0, 0, 0]	[0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 1, 0], [0, 0, 1, 1], [0, 1, 0, 0], [0, 1, 0, 1], [0, 1, 1, 0], [0, 1, 1, 1]
[1, 0, 0, 1]	[0, 0, 1, 1], [0, 1, 0, 1], [0, 1, 1, 1], [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 0], [1, 1, 0, 0], [1, 1, 1, 0] [0, 1, 1, 0], [1, 0, 1, 1], [1, 1, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 1]
[1, 0, 1, 0]	[0, 0, 1, 1], [0, 1, 1, 0], [0, 1, 1, 1], [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 0], [1, 1, 0, 0], [1, 1, 0, 1] [0, 1, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0], [1, 1, 1, 1]
[1, 0, 1, 1]	[0, 1, 1, 1], [1, 1, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0] [1, 0, 1, 1], [1, 1, 1, 1]
[1, 1, 0, 0]	[0, 1, 0, 1], [0, 1, 1, 0], [0, 1, 1, 1], [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 0], [1, 0, 1, 1], [1, 1, 0, 0] [0, 0, 1, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0], [1, 1, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 1]
[1, 1, 0, 1]	[0, 1, 1, 1], [1, 0, 1, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0] [1, 1, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 1]
[1, 1, 1, 0]	[0, 1, 1, 1], [1, 0, 1, 1], [1, 1, 0, 1] [1, 1, 1, 0], [1, 1, 1, 1]
[1, 1, 1, 1]	[1, 1, 1, 1]

**Exact BDPT Modelization for Ciphers having Binary Linear Layer.**

Given a binary matrix  $M = (m_{i,j})_{s \times s} \in \mathbb{F}_2^{s \times s}$ , and denote  $n = m \times s$ , we can derive an equivalent matrix working at a bit level which is called primitive matrix  $M' = (m'_{i,j})_{n \times n} \in \mathbb{F}_2^{n \times n}$ . Now,  $M'$  has  $n = ms$  number of rows which we denote say  $R_0, R_1, \dots, R_{n-1}$ , and define a set of all rows  $\mathcal{R} = \{R_i | 0 \leq i \leq n-1\}$ . Therefore, we can construct  $m$  disjoint sets  $\mathcal{R}_0, \mathcal{R}_1, \dots, \mathcal{R}_{m-1}$  in the following way:

$$\mathcal{R}_i = \{R_{mj+i} | 0 \leq j \leq s-1\} \text{ for all } 0 \leq i \leq m-1 \quad (3)$$

Now, it is obvious that  $\sqcup_{i=0}^{m-1} \mathcal{R}_i = \mathcal{R}$ , and  $\mathcal{R}_i$  contains exactly a number  $s$  of rows from  $M'$  where  $0 \leq i \leq m-1$ . Here we come to an important property that the rows in different sets have no common nonzero entries in the same column, which is the key feature of a binary matrix. Exploiting this property of a binary matrix, the binary linear layer can actually be seen as the application of  $m$  many  $s$ -bit S-box with algebraic degree 1 in parallel.

Therefore, if  $\mathbf{x} = (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1})$ , and  $\mathbf{y} = (y_0, y_1, \dots, y_{n-1})$  are corresponding input and output variables w.r.t the linear layer i.e.  $\mathbf{y} = M' \cdot \mathbf{x}$ , then we can write ANF of  $m$  many  $s$ -bit S-box with algebraic degree 1 as follows:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} S_0(\mathbf{x}_0) = (R_0^0 \cdot \mathbf{x}_0, R_m^0 \cdot \mathbf{x}_0, \dots, R_{(s-1)m}^0 \cdot \mathbf{x}_0) \\ S_1(\mathbf{x}_1) = (R_1^1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_1, R_{m+1}^1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, R_{(s-1)m+1}^1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_1) \\ \vdots \\ S_{m-1}(\mathbf{x}_{m-1}) = (R_{m-1}^{m-1} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{m-1}, R_{2m-1}^{m-1} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{m-1}, \dots, R_{sm-1}^{m-1} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{m-1}) \end{array} \right.$$

where  $R_{mj+i}^i$  is a vector which belongs to the set  $\mathbb{F}_2^s$  such that  $R_{mj+i}^i = (m'_{mj+i,i}, m'_{mj+i,m+i}, \dots, m'_{mj+i,(s-1)m+i})$ , and  $\mathbf{x}_i = (x_i, x_{m+i}, \dots, x_{(s-1)m+i}) \in \mathbb{F}_2^s$  where  $i = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$ , and  $j = 0, 1, \dots, s-1$ .

**An Example of Exact BDPT Modelization of Binary Matrix** The Mix-Columns matrix  $M$  of the block cipher MANTIS which is as follows:

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{F}_{2^4}^{4 \times 4}$$

Therefore, for this example,  $s = 4$ , and  $m = 4$ , and the primitive matrix  $M'$  corresponding to the matrix  $M$  is a  $16 \times 16$  matrix where each matrix element

is either 0 or 1 i.e. the primitive matrix  $M' \in \mathbb{F}_2^{16 \times 16}$  is as follows: ignore

$$M' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{F}_2^{16 \times 16}$$

Now, we can easily conclude that applying the matrix  $M'$  to a vector  $\mathbf{x} = (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{15}) \in \mathbb{F}_2^{16}$  is actually equivalent to performing the following 4-bit S-box in parallel:

$$S_i(x_i, x_{i+4}, x_{i+8}, x_{i+12}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_i \\ x_{i+4} \\ x_{i+8} \\ x_{i+12} \end{pmatrix}, \quad i \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$$

Therefore, we can construct exact BDPT trail for  $\mathbb{K}$  and  $\mathbb{L}$  for the mixcolumn operation and the linear inequalities whose feasible solutions are exactly those BDPT trail.

Now, the exact BDPT modelization of S-box we have discussed in the previous section. Applying that approach we can get the exact BDPT trail through the binary linear layer and then we can easily represent the BDPT trails of binary linear layer as linear inequalities following the approach mentioned in [XZBL16]. Thus, we give a way to generate a set of inequalities that exactly model the valid BDPT propagations through a binary linear layer. For the ciphers with non-binary linear layer, we decompose its linear layer through the COPY and XOR operation trivially and generate a set of linear inequalities that model the propagations through the linear layer.

### 3.3 MILP Model of BDPT for Key-XOR

In this section, we explain how to construct MILP model of BDPT for the Key-Xor operation. As per the notation discussed above  $E_r$  is the  $r$ -round block cipher where we denote  $f_i$  is the  $i$ th round function and  $f_k^i$  is the  $i$ th round Key-Xor operation. Moreover, we denote the initial and output BDPT for the Key-Xor

**Table 3.** Trails Corresponding to the Function  $f_1^i$

$(l_0, l_1, l_2, l_3)$	$(l'_0, l'_1, l'_2, l'_3)$
$(0, 0, l_2, l_3)$	$(0, 1, l_2, l_3), (1, 0, l_2, l_3), (1, 1, l_2, l_3)$
$(0, 1, l_2, l_3)$	$(1, 1, l_2, l_3),$
$(1, 0, l_2, l_3)$	$(1, 1, l_2, l_3),$
$(1, 1, l_2, l_3)$	X

operation as  $(\mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*, \mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*)$ , and  $(\mathbb{K}_i, \mathbb{L}_i)$  respectively. Therefore, as per BDPT Rule 1, we decompose  $f_k^i$  into two operations say  $f_1^i$  which actually produces some new elements from each elements of  $\mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*$  and  $f_2^i$  which includes the new vectors and the vectors from  $\mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*$  in  $\mathbb{K}_i$  which is described in Eqn 1. Hence, we model the operations  $f_1^i$ , and  $f_2^i$  which jointly present the MILP model for Key-Xor operation.

**Modeling  $f_1^i$ .** In many ciphers, round key is only XORed with a part of block. Without loss of generality, we assume that the round key is XORed with the left  $s$  ( $0 \leq s \leq n-1$ ) bits. Let,  $\mathbb{L}_{i-1}^* \subseteq \mathbb{F}_2^4$  and  $s = 2$  i.e. round key is XORed with the leftmost 2 bits. Therefore, according to the BDPT rule 1,  $f_1^i$  function creates  $\mathbf{l}' = (l'_0, l'_1, l'_2, l'_3)$  from  $\mathbf{l} = (l_0, l_1, l_2, l_3)$  where for every vector  $\mathbf{l} \in \mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*$  satisfying  $l_i = 0, l'_i = l_i \vee 1$  where  $i \in \{0, 1\}$  and  $l'_j = l_j$  for all  $j = 2, 3$ . Therefore, we write the propagation table (Table 3) corresponding to the function  $f_1^i$  using which we construct linear inequalities whose feasible solutions are exactly those trails. Now, we are ready to give linear inequalities description of these trails listed in Table 3 as follows:

$$\begin{cases} l'_j \geq l_j, & \text{for } j = 0, 1 \\ l'_j = l_j, & \text{for } j = 2, 3 \\ 2 \sum_{j=0}^1 l'_j - \sum_{j=0}^1 l_j \geq 2 \\ \sum_{j=0}^3 l'_j - \sum_{j=0}^3 l_j \geq 1 \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

where  $l'_0, l'_1, l'_2, l'_3, l_0, l_1, l_2, l_3$  are binaries.

Apparently, all feasible solutions of the inequalities in Eqn 4 corresponding to  $\mathbf{l}$ , and  $\mathbf{l}'$  are exactly the trails of  $f_1^i$  function described above in Table 3. Similarly, for a  $n$ -bit block cipher where  $\mathbb{L}_{i-1}^* \subseteq \mathbb{F}_2^n$ , and round key is XORed with the leftmost  $s$  ( $0 \leq s \leq n-1$ ) bits, the linear inequalities we get which describe the trails  $\mathbf{l} \xrightarrow{f_1^i} \mathbf{l}'$  as follows:

$$\begin{cases} l'_j \geq l_j, & \text{for } j = 0, 1, \dots, s-1 \\ l'_j = l_j, & \text{for } j = s, s+1, \dots, n-1 \\ s \sum_{j=0}^{s-1} l'_j - (s-1) \sum_{j=0}^{s-1} l_j \geq s \\ \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} l'_j - \sum_{j=1}^n l_j \geq 1 \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

where  $l'_0, l'_1, \dots, l'_{n-1}, l_0, l_1, \dots, l_{n-1}$  are binaries.

**Modeling  $f_2^i$ .** After applying  $f_1^i$  on each element of the set  $\mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*$ , we get the set say  $\mathbb{L}'_{i-1}$  as follows:

$$\mathbb{L}'_{i-1} = \{\mathbf{l}' \in \mathbb{F}_2^n \mid f_1^i(\mathbf{l}) = \mathbf{l}', \forall \mathbf{l} \in \mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*\}$$

Now, from BDPT Rule 1 we know that:

$$f_2^i(\mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*, \mathbb{L}'_{i-1}) = \mathbb{K}_{i-1}^* \cup \mathbb{L}'_{i-1} = \mathbb{K}_i$$

Therefore, to model  $f_2^i$ , we define another function  $g : (\mathbb{F}_2^2 \setminus \{(0,0), (1,1)\}) \times \mathbb{K}_{i-1}^* \times \mathbb{L}'_{i-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{K}_i$  such that:

$$g(\lambda_0, \lambda_1, \mathbf{k}^*, \mathbf{l}') = (\lambda_0 \wedge k_0^*, \dots, \lambda_0 \wedge k_{n-1}^*) \oplus (\lambda_1 \wedge l'_0, \dots, \lambda_1 \wedge l'_{n-1}) \quad (6)$$

where  $\lambda = (\lambda_0, \lambda_1) \in \mathbb{F}_2^2 \setminus \{(0,0), (1,1)\}$ , and  $\mathbf{k}^* = (k_0^*, \dots, k_{n-1}^*)$ , and  $\mathbf{l}' = (l'_0, \dots, l'_{n-1})$ . Therefore, from the definition of  $g$  we can easily conclude that  $\mathbb{K}_i$  contain all the elements of  $\mathbb{L}'_{i-1}$ , and  $\mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*$ . Hence, modeling  $g$  is actually equivalent to modeling  $f_2^i$ . Now, we are going to construct the linear inequalities whose feasible solutions are exactly the  $g$  function trail. In order to do that first we have to construct the linear inequalities which are sufficient to describe the propagation  $(a, b) \xrightarrow{\wedge} c$  where  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{F}_2$  which is as follows:

$$\begin{cases} a - c \geq 0 \\ b - c \geq 0 \\ a + b - c \leq 1 \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

where  $a, b, c$  are binaries. Therefore, using Eqn 6 and Eqn 7 we can easily conclude that the following inequalities are sufficient to describe the propagation of  $g$  function i.e.  $(\lambda_0, \lambda_1, \mathbf{k}^*, \mathbf{l}') \xrightarrow{g} \mathbf{k}$ :

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_0 - p_j \geq 0, & \text{for } j = 0, 1, \dots, n-1 \\ k_j^* - p_j \geq 0, & \text{for } j = 0, 1, \dots, n-1 \\ \lambda_0 + k_j^* - p_j \leq 1, & \text{for } i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1 \\ \lambda_1 - q_j \geq 0, & \text{for } i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1 \\ l'_j - q_j \geq 0, & \text{for } i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1 \\ \lambda_1 + l'_j - q_j \leq 1, & \text{for } i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1 \\ p_j + q_j - k_j = 0, & \text{for } j = 0, 1, \dots, n-1 \\ \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 = 1 \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

where  $p_0, \dots, p_{n-1}, q_0, \dots, q_{n-1}, l'_0, \dots, l'_{n-1}, k_0, \dots, k_{n-1}, k_0^*, \dots, k_{n-1}^*, \lambda_0, \lambda_1$  are binaries and  $p = (p_0, p_1, \dots, p_{n-1}), q = (q_0, q_1, \dots, q_{n-1})$  are auxiliary variables. Hence Eqn 8 and Eqn 5 describe the complete MILP model of the Key-XOR operation w.r.t BDPT.

### 3.4 MILP Model Construction of $r$ -Round Function

For all the functions based on these above mentioned operations, we are finally making a set of linear inequalities depicting one round BDPT propagation. In order to construct an MILP model for  $r$  round BDPT propagation we have to iterate this above mentioned procedure  $r$  times and finally we conclude upon getting a system of linear inequalities  $\mathcal{L}$  which we describe in Algorithm 1.

Algorithm 1 constructs a system of linear inequalities which characterizes all  $r$ -round BDPT trails i.e.

$$(\mathbf{k}^0 = \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l}^0 = \mathbf{l}) \xrightarrow{f_1} (\mathbf{k}^1, \mathbf{l}^1) \xrightarrow{f_2} \dots \xrightarrow{f_r} (\mathbf{k}^r, \mathbf{l}^r)$$

Therefore, we have to construct MILP model using  $\mathcal{L}$  and appropriate initial and stopping rules and the search algorithm in order to find integral distinguisher.

## 4 Automatic Search Algorithm for $r$ -round Integral Distinguisher

In this section, we first study the initial BDPT and stopping rule to use when searching for integral distinguisher based on BDPT. From Algorithm 1 we got the linear inequality system  $\mathcal{L}$  with the input vector  $\mathbf{k}$  and  $\mathbf{l}$ . Now, we convert the stopping rule into an objective function and combining  $\mathcal{L}$  and objective function, we construct the MILP model  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{L}}$ . At last we propose an algorithm to search integral distinguisher based on BDPT given the initial BDPT  $D_{\{\mathbf{k}\}, \{\mathbf{l}\}}^{1^n}$  for an  $n$ -bit block cipher and prove the correctness of the algorithm.

### 4.1 Initial BDPT

In [TM16], Todo and Morii set the initial BDPT as ( $\mathbb{K} = \{\mathbf{1}\}$ ,  $\mathbb{L} = \{7ffffffffff\}$ ) to search the BDPT of SIMON32, where the active bits of the vector  $\mathbf{l}$  are set as 1 and 0 for constant bits. Hence we do the same. Let the initial input BDPT variables are  $\mathbf{k}^0 = (k_0^0, k_1^0, \dots, k_{n-1}^0)$ , and  $\mathbf{l}^0 = (l_0^0, l_1^0, \dots, l_{n-1}^0)$  where  $n$  is the block size. The constraints on  $k_i^0$  and  $l_i^0$  are

$$k_i^0 = 1 \quad \text{for } i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$$

$$l_i^0 = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i\text{-th bit is active} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

### 4.2 Stopping Rule

Our automatic search model only focuses on the parity of one output bit. Without loss of generality, we consider the  $q$ -th output bit. After  $r$  round, the output set has BDPT  $D_{\mathbb{K}_r, \mathbb{L}_r}^{1^n}$ . Therefore, according to the Proposition 1, we know that the set of the first components of the last vectors of all



$r$ -round BDPT trails which start from the vector  $(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l})$  is equal to  $\mathbb{K}_r$ .

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**Algorithm 1:** Computing A Set of Constraints Characterizing BDPT Propagation

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**Input:** The initial input BDPT of an  $n$ -bit iterated cipher  
 $D_{\mathbb{K}_0=\{\mathbf{k}\}, \mathbb{L}_0=\{\mathbf{l}\}}^{1^n}$   
 $\mathcal{L}_k(\mathbb{K}_{i-1}, \mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*)$ : a constraint set of linear inequalities whose feasible solutions are all division trails from the set  $\mathbb{K}_{i-1}$  to set  $\mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*$ ,  $\forall i \in [r]$ .  
 $\mathcal{L}_l(\mathbb{L}_{i-1}, \mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*)$ : a constraint set of linear inequalities whose feasible solutions are all division trails from the set  $\mathbb{L}_{i-1}$  to set  $\mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*$ ,  $\forall i \in [r]$ .  
 $New_k(\mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*, \mathbb{L}'_{i-1})$ : a constraint set of linear inequalities whose feasible solutions are all  $f_1^i$  function trails,  $\forall i \in [r]$ .  
 $Union_k(\mathbb{L}'_{i-1}, \mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*, \mathbb{K}_i)$ : a constraint set of linear inequalities whose feasible solutions are all  $f_2^i$  function trails,  $\forall i \in [r]$ .

**Output:** A constraint set of linear inequalities  $\mathcal{L}$  describing  $r$ -round BDPT propagation

**begin**

$\mathcal{L} = \emptyset$ ,  $\mathcal{C}^i = \mathcal{C}^{i,*} = \emptyset$  where  $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$

Allocate  $n$ -bit variables  $\mathbf{k}^i, \mathbf{l}^i$  to denote vectors in the set  $\mathbb{K}_i, \mathbb{L}_i$  respectively where  $i = 0, 1, \dots, r$

Allocate  $n$ -bit variables  $\mathbf{l}^{i,*}, \mathbf{p}^i$ , and  $\mathbf{k}^{i,*}$  to denote vectors in the set  $\mathbb{L}_i^*, \mathbb{L}'_i$ , and  $\mathbb{K}_i^*$  respectively where  $i = 0, 1, \dots, r-1$

$\mathcal{L} \leftarrow (\mathbf{k}^0 = \mathbf{k})$

$\mathcal{L} \leftarrow (\mathbf{l}^0 = \mathbf{l})$

**for** ( $i = 1$ ;  $i \leq r$ ;  $i++$ ) **do**

$\mathcal{C}^i \leftarrow \mathcal{L}_l(\mathbb{L}_{i-1}, \mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*) \cup \mathcal{L}_k(\mathbb{K}_{i-1}, \mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*)$

$\mathcal{C}^{i,*} \leftarrow New_k(\mathbb{L}_{i-1}^*, \mathbb{L}'_{i-1})$

$\mathcal{C}^{i,*} \leftarrow Union_k(\mathbb{L}'_{i-1}, \mathbb{K}_{i-1}^*, \mathbb{K}_i)$

$\mathcal{L} \leftarrow (\mathbf{l}^{i-1,*} = \mathbf{l}^i)$

$\mathcal{L} \leftarrow (\mathcal{C}^i \cup \mathcal{C}^{i,*})$

**end**

**return**  $\mathcal{L}$

**end**

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Hence, to check whether there exist any unit vector in the  $\mathbb{K}_r$ , the objective function can be set as follows:

$$Obj : Minimize(k_0^r + k_1^r + \dots, k_{n-1}^r) \quad (9)$$

Similarly, according to the Proposition 1, the set of the second components of the last vectors of all  $r$ -round BDPT trails which start from the vector  $(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l})$  is equal to  $\mathbb{L}_r$ . Thus, we can set the objective function as :

$$Obj : Minimize(l_0^r + l_1^r + \dots, l_{n-1}^r) \quad (10)$$

Now, at first we construct the MILP model  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{L}}$  using the system of linear inequalities  $\mathcal{L}$  we get from Algorithm 1 and the objective function defined in Eqn. 9. Moreover, we construct another MILP model  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}}$  as follows:

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}} = \text{ConstructModel}(\mathcal{L}^*, \text{Min}(l_0^r + \dots, l_{n-1}^r))$$

where  $\mathcal{L}^*$  is the constraint set of linear inequalities whose feasible solutions are all division trails from the set  $\mathbb{L}_0$  to  $\mathbb{L}_r$ .

**Stopping Rule for the MILP Model  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{L}}$ .** To check whether  $\mathbb{K}_r$  contains the unit vector  $e_q$  is equivalent to check whether the MILP model  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{L}}$  has feasible solution satisfying  $k^r = e_q$ . Therefore, we can set the stopping rule as:

$$k_j^r = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j = q \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

If  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{L}}$  has such feasible solutions, then the  $q$ -th output bit is unknown.

**Stopping Rule for the MILP Model  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}}$ .** If  $\mathbb{K}_r$  does not contain  $e_q$ , then to check whether  $\mathbb{L}_r$  contains  $e_q$  is equivalent to check whether the MILP model  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}}$  has feasible solution satisfying  $l^r = e_q$ . Therefore, we can set the stopping rule as :

$$l_j^r = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j = q \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (12)$$

If both  $\mathbb{K}_r$  and  $\mathbb{L}_r$  do not contain  $e_q$ , then  $q$ -th output bit is balanced. Otherwise, we need to count the number of feasible solutions satisfying  $l^r = e_q$  of the model  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}}$ . Therefore, the parity of  $q$ -th output bit is 0 or 1 if the number of solutions are even or odd respectively as  $\mathbb{K}_r$  does not contain  $e_q$ .

### 4.3 Search Algorithm

We present the automatic search algorithm to find integral distinguisher based on BDPT, which decides the parity of the  $q$ -th output bit with the given initial BDPT  $D_{\mathbb{K}_0=\{\mathbf{k}\}, \mathbb{L}_0=\{\mathbf{l}\}}^1$  for an  $n$ -bit block cipher. Firstly, we allocate all round variables and auxiliary variables. Therefore, we construct a MILP model  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{L}}$  that describes all  $r$ -round BDPT trails, and another MILP model  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}}$  that describes all  $r$ -round division trails for  $\mathbb{L}$ . Finally, using appropriate initial and stopping rules, we can obtain the parity of  $q$ -th out-

put bit based on BDPT. We illustrate the whole framework in Algorithm 2.

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**Algorithm 2:** Deciding Parity of  $q$ -th Output Bit

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**Input:** The  $r$ -round cipher  $E_r$ , the initial input BDPT of an  $n$ -bit iterated cipher  $D_{\mathbb{K}_0=\{\mathbf{k}\}, \mathbb{L}_0=\{\mathbf{l}\}}^{1^n}$ , the number  $q$ , and  $\mathcal{L}_l(\mathbb{L}_{i-1}, \mathbb{L}_i)$ : a constraint set of linear inequalities whose feasible solutions are all division trails from the set  $\mathbb{L}_{i-1}$  to set  $\mathbb{L}_i$ ,  $\forall i \in [r]$ .

**Output:** The balanced information of the  $q$ -th output bit based on BDPT

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begin
  Allocate all the variables denoting the input and output BDPT
  Obj1 = Minimize( $k_0^r + k_1^r + \dots, k_{n-1}^r$ )
  Obj2 = Minimize( $l_0^r + l_1^r + \dots, l_{n-1}^r$ )
  Call Algorithm 1 and get a constraint set  $\mathcal{L}$  whose feasible solutions
  are  $r$ -round BDPT trail
   $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{L}} = \text{ConstructModel}(\mathcal{L}, \text{Obj}_1)$ 
   $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{L}}.AddConstraint(\mathbf{k}^r = \mathbf{e}_q)$ 
  if the MILP model  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{L}}$  has solutions then
    | return unknown
  end
  else
     $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}} = \text{ConstructModel}(\bigcup_{i=1}^r \mathcal{L}_l(\mathbb{L}_{i-1}, \mathbb{L}_i), \text{Obj}_2)$ 
     $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}}.AddConstraint(\mathbf{l}^0 = \mathbf{l})$ 
    if the MILP model  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}}$  has no feasible solution satisfying
     $\mathbf{l}^r = \mathbf{e}_q$  then
      | return 0
    end
    else
       $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}}.AddConstraint(\mathbf{l}^r = \mathbf{e}_q)$ 
      Count the number of solutions in  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{L}}$ 
      if Count is even then
        | return 0
      end
      else
        | return 1
      end
    end
  end
end
end

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#### 4.4 Correctness of Search Algorithm

Let the initial input division property of an  $n$ -bit iterated cipher be  $D_{\mathbb{K}_0=\{\mathbf{k}\}, \mathbb{L}_0=\{\mathbf{l}\}}^{1^n}$ , and after  $r$ -round propagation, the output BDPT we denote as  $D_{\mathbb{K}_r, \mathbb{L}_r}$ . It is obvious that if  $\mathbf{e}_q \in \mathbb{K}_r$ , then the parity of  $q$ -th bit is *unknown* and if  $\mathbf{e}_q$  does not belongs to  $\mathbb{K}_r$  as well as  $\mathbb{L}_r$ , then the parity of  $q$ -th bit is 0.

Therefore, to prove correctness of Algorithm 2 we have to prove that if the  $q$ -th unit vector does not belong to  $\mathbb{K}_r$  and belongs to  $\mathbb{L}_r$ , then the parity of  $q$ -th output bit is 0 or 1 provided the number of division trails from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{e}_q$  is even or odd respectively. We first prove the following Lemma:

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $\mathbb{X} \subseteq \mathbb{F}_2^n$  has division property  $D_{\mathbb{K}_0=\{\mathbf{k}\}, \mathbb{L}_0=\{\mathbf{l}\}}^{1^n}$  and after  $r$ -round propagation, the output set  $\mathbb{Y}_r$  has division property  $D_{\mathbb{K}_r, \mathbb{L}_r}^{1^n}$ . For any  $\mathbf{l}' \in \mathbb{L}_r$ , if the number of division trail in  $\mathbb{L}$  from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{l}'$  is even, then there exist at least one  $j$  in  $[r]$  s.t  $\mathbb{L}_j$  contains at least one element  $\mathbf{u}$  which is produced even number of times from the elements in  $\mathbb{L}_{j-1}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\mathbb{X} \subseteq \mathbb{F}_2^n$  has division property  $D_{\mathbb{K}_0, \mathbb{L}_0=\{\mathbf{l}\}}^{1^n}$  and after  $r$  round propagation, the output set has division property  $D_{\mathbb{K}_r, \mathbb{L}_r}^{1^n}$ . We know that, every element in  $\mathbb{L}_j$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, r$ , is produced from some elements in  $\mathbb{L}_{j-1}$  under the BDPT propagation rules.

Let we assume that, in the set  $\mathbb{L}_j$  for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, r$ , there are  $n_j$  number of elements and the number of elements in  $\mathbb{L}_{j-1}$  from which any element  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{L}_j$  is produced by the BDPT propagation rule, is called indegree of  $\mathbf{u}$ . Moreover we assume that for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, r$ ,  $\mathbb{L}_j$  contains  $n_j$  elements and we denote those elements as  $\mathbf{v}_1^j, \mathbf{v}_2^j, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{n_j}^j$ . For  $j = 0$ ,  $\mathbb{L}_0$  contains one element  $\mathbf{l}$  i.e.  $n_0 = 1$  and for  $j = r$ ,  $n_j = 1$ . Now we assume that,  $\mathbf{v}_i^j$  has indegree as  $x_i^j$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_j$  and  $j = 1, 2, \dots, r$ . Moreover, we define that  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{u})$  is the number of division trails from the vector  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{u}$ .

Now, we prove the above statement by contradiction. Therefore, we assume that, for all  $j = 1, 2, \dots, r$ , all the elements of the set  $\mathbb{L}_j$  has indegree as an odd number i.e. all the elements of the set  $\mathbb{L}_j$  is produced odd number of times from the elements in  $\mathbb{L}_{j-1}$ . Now we want to prove the statement that the number of division trails in  $\mathbb{L}$  from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{v}_i^j$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_j$  and  $j = 1, 2, \dots, r$  are odd. We prove this by induction.

**Induction Base** According to the BDPT propagation in  $\mathbb{L}$ , as all the elements in  $\mathbb{L}_1$  is produced from  $\mathbf{l} \in \mathbb{L}_0$ , then

$$x_1^1 = x_2^1 = \dots = x_{n_1}^1 = 1$$

Hence  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{v}_i^1) = 1$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_1$ . Hence the above statement is true for  $j = 1$  and  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_1$ .

Now we prove this statement for  $j = 2$ . According to the BDPT propagation in  $\mathbb{L}$ , all the elements in  $\mathbb{L}_2$  is produced from the elements in  $\mathbb{L}_1$ . Therefore for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_2$  the number of division trails from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{v}_i^2$  is as follows:

$$\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{v}_i^2) = \sum_{i_1 \in I_i^2} \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{v}_{i_1}^1), \forall i \in [n_2]$$

where  $I_i^j \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n_{j-1}\}$  and this set contains the lower indices of the elements in  $\mathbb{L}_{j-1}$  from which  $\mathbf{v}_i^j \in \mathbb{L}_j$  produced and the cardinality of  $I_i^j$  is  $x_i^j$  for  $i =$

$1, 2, \dots, n_j$  and  $j = 1, 2, \dots, r$ . Now here, for  $j = 2$  and for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_2$  the cardinality of  $I_i^2$  is odd as the value of  $x_i^2$  is odd as per our assumption.

Moreover,  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{v}_{i_1}^1)$  is odd for all  $i_1 \in I_i^2 \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n_1\}$  as we know that  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{v}_i^1) = 1$  for all  $i_1 = 1, 2, \dots, n_1$ . Therefore  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{v}_i^2)$  is odd for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_2$ . Hence, the above statement is true for  $j = 2$  and  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_2$ .

**Induction Hypothesis** Suppose we assume that the above statement is true for all  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$  where  $m \leq r - 1$  and  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_j$  i.e.

$$\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{v}_i^j) = \text{odd}, \quad \forall i \in [n_j] \text{ and } \forall j \in [m] \quad (13)$$

**Inductive Step** Now, we want to prove the above statement for  $j = m + 1$  and  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_{m+1}$ . Therefore for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_{m+1}$  the number of division trails from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{v}_i^{m+1}$  is

$$\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{v}_i^{m+1}) = \sum_{i_2 \in I_i^{m+1}} \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{v}_{i_2}^m) \quad \forall i \in [n_{m+1}]$$

where  $I_i^{m+1} \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n_m\}$  and this set contains the lower indices of the elements in  $\mathbb{L}_m$  from which  $\mathbf{v}_i^{m+1} \in \mathbb{L}_{m+1}$  produced and the cardinality of  $I_i^{m+1}$  is  $x_i^{m+1}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_{m+1}$ . Now, for  $j = m + 1$  and for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_{m+1}$ , the cardinality of  $I_i^{m+1}$  is odd as the value of  $x_i^{m+1}$  is odd as per our assumption.

Moreover,  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{v}_{i_2}^m)$  is odd for all  $i_2 \in I_i^{m+1} \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n_m\}$  as we know that  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{v}_{i_2}^m)$  is odd for all  $i_2 = 1, 2, \dots, n_m$  is odd as per induction hypothesis. Therefore  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{v}_i^{m+1})$  is odd for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_m$ . Hence, the above statement is true for  $j = m + 1$  and  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_{m+1}$ .

By induction we have proved that for all  $j = 1, 2, \dots, r$ , all the elements of the set  $\mathbb{L}_j$  has indegree as an odd number i.e. all the elements of the set  $\mathbb{L}_j$  is produced odd number of times from the elements in  $\mathbb{L}_{j-1}$  then the number of division trails in  $\mathbb{L}$  from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{v}_i^j$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n_j$  and  $j = 1, 2, \dots, r$  are odd. Therefore, the number of division trails from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{v}_1^r = \mathbf{p}$  is odd which is a contradiction as it is given that the number of division trail in  $\mathbb{L}$  from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{l}'$  is even. Therefore, our assumption is incorrect.

Hence, there always exist at least one  $j \in [r]$  s.t  $\mathbb{L}_j$  contains at least one element  $\mathbf{u}$  which is produced even number of times from the elements in  $\mathbb{L}_{j-1}$  which completes our proof.  $\square$

Therefore, using Lemma 1 we prove the final result as follows:

**Proposition 2.** Let  $\mathbb{X} \subseteq \mathbb{F}_2^n$  has division property  $D_{\mathbb{K}_0=\{\mathbf{k}\}, \mathbb{L}_0=\{\mathbf{l}\}}^{1^n}$  and after  $r$ -round propagation, the output set  $\mathbb{Y}$  has division property  $D_{\mathbb{K}_r, \mathbb{L}_r}^{1^n}$ . If  $\mathbf{e}_q$  doesn't belongs to the set  $\mathbb{K}_r$ , where  $q \in [n]$ , then we have:

1. If the number of division trail from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{e}_q$  is even in  $\mathbb{L}$ , then  $\bigoplus_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{Y}} y_q = 0$ .
2. If the number of division trail from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{e}_q$  is odd in  $\mathbb{L}$ , then  $\bigoplus_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{Y}} y_q = 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $S \subseteq (\mathbb{F}_2^n)^{r+1}$  be the set which contains all the division trail in  $\mathbb{L}$  from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{e}_q$  and  $|S|$  is even. Now, by using Lemma 1, we can easily conclude

that there exist at least one  $j \in \{2, 3, \dots, r\}$  s.t  $\mathbb{L}_j$  contains an element  $\mathbf{u}$  which is produced even number of times from the elements in  $\mathbb{L}_{j-1}$ . Without loss of generality we choose smallest such  $j$ .

According to the BDPT propagation rule of XOR and S-box, we can see that if an element  $\mathbf{u}$  is produced even number of times in  $\mathbb{L}_j$  from  $\mathbb{L}_{j-1}$ , then the following holds:

$$\bigoplus_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{Y}_j} \mathbf{y}^{\mathbf{u}} = 0$$

where  $\mathbb{Y}_j$  is the multiset whose BDPT is  $D_{\mathbb{K}_j, \mathbb{L}_j}^{1^n}$  and that implies  $\mathbf{u}$  shouldn't be in  $\mathbb{L}_j$ . Hence, all the division trails from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{e}_q$  which contains the vector  $\mathbf{u}$  are actually redundant and those number of redundant division trails must be even. Therefore, we can remove these redundant division trails from  $S$  and we can call the new set as  $S_1$ . It is trivial that either  $|S_1|$  is even or  $|S_1| = 0$ .

**Case-I.** If  $|S_1| = 0$ , then it implies that all the division trails from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{e}_q$  contains the element  $\mathbf{u}$ . Therefore, as  $\mathbf{u}$  shouldn't be in  $\mathbb{L}_j$ , so  $\mathbf{e}_q$  also shouldn't be in  $\mathbb{L}_r$  and it is given that  $\mathbf{e}_q$  doesn't belongs to  $\mathbb{K}_r$  which means

$$\bigoplus_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{Y}} \mathbf{y}^{\mathbf{e}_q} = \bigoplus_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{Y}} y_q = 0$$

. **Case-II.** If  $|S_1|$  is even, then in a similar way we can find even number of redundant division trails from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{e}_q$  in  $\mathbb{L}$  and construct  $S_2$  from  $S_1$  where  $|S_2|$  is either even or 0 and so on.

As  $|S|$  is finite, then after finitely many  $p$  steps, we must get some  $S_p$  s.t  $|S_p| = 0$ . Hence,  $\mathbf{e}_q$  shouldn't be in  $\mathbb{L}_r$  and it is given that  $\mathbf{e}_q$  doesn't belongs to  $\mathbb{K}_r$  which means

$$\bigoplus_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{Y}} \mathbf{y}^{\mathbf{e}_q} = \bigoplus_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{Y}} y_q = 0$$

which completes the first part of the proof.

Now, it is given that the number of division trail in  $\mathbb{L}$  from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{e}_q$  is odd. Similarly we can construct a set  $S'$  containing all such division trails. Therefore, there may or may not exist  $j \in \{2, 3, \dots, r\}$  s.t  $\mathbb{L}_j$  contains an element  $\mathbf{u}$  which is produced even number of times from the elements in  $\mathbb{L}_{j-1}$ .

**Case-A** If there doesn't exist any such  $j$ , then by BDPT propagation rules, we can easily conclude that no division trail from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{e}_q$  is redundant. Therefore, it implies that  $\mathbf{e}_q$  belongs to  $\mathbb{L}_r$  which means  $\bigoplus_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{Y}} y_q = 1$ .

**Case-B** If there exist some  $j$  s.t  $\mathbb{L}_j$  contains an element  $\mathbf{u}$  which is produced even number of times from the elements in  $\mathbb{L}_{j-1}$ , then similarly by the previous argument we can easily conclude that all the division trails from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $\mathbf{e}_q$  which contains  $\mathbf{u}$  are actually redundant. Therefore, we can remove these redundant division trails from  $S'$  and we can call the new set as  $S'_1$ . It is obvious that  $|S'_1|$  is odd.

Now, continuing like this way, after finitely many steps we arrive at a situation where the number of remaining division trails from  $\mathbf{l}$  to  $e_q$  is odd and no redundant division trails are left which implies  $e_q$  belongs to  $\mathbb{L}_r$ . Therefore,  $\bigoplus_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{Y}} \mathbf{y}^{e_q} = \bigoplus_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{Y}} y_q = 1$  which completes the second part of the proof.  $\square$

## 5 Applications to Block Ciphers

In this section, we apply our automatic search algorithm for BDPT to SIMON, SIMON(102), MANTIS, PRINCE, KLEIN, and PRIDE block ciphers. All the experiments are conducted on the platform Intel Core i5-8250U CPU @ 1.60GHz, 8G RAM, 64bit Ubuntu 18.04.5 LTS. The optimizer we used to solve MILP models is Gurobi 9.1.2 [Gur21]. For the integral distinguishers, '?' denotes the bit whose balanced information is unknown, '0' denotes the bit whose sum is zero, '1' denotes the bit whose sum is 1. The detailed integral distinguishers of PRINCE, MANTIS, KLEIN and PRIDE are listed in Supporting Material 7.4.

### 5.1 Applications to PRINCE and MANTIS

In this section we present the application of our BDPT model to the cipher PRINCE and MANTIS which have binary matrices to conduct their mixcolumn operations in the round functions. Hence, we apply our method to model binary linear layer in BDPT and construct the MILP model efficiently. Then, choosing appropriate initial BDPT, we find improved integral distinguisher as follows:

**Integral Attack on PRINCE.** Block ciphers based on the reflection design strategy, introduced by PRINCE [BCG<sup>+</sup>12], are a popular choice for low-latency designs. PRINCE is the 64-bit block cipher which uses 128-bit key. The PRINCE cipher is the substitution-permutation network composed of 12 rounds. The 64-bit state can be organised as the  $4 \times 4$  array of nibbles and it has the structure which is described in Fig.1 in Supporting Material 7.5. For a complete specification and design rationale of the cipher, a reader is referred to [BCG<sup>+</sup>12].

We will denote the number of rounds of PRINCE as  $a + b$  where  $a$  are the rounds before the middle layer, and  $b$  are the rounds after the middle layer. There are several attacks (Integral attack, higher order differential attack, boomerang attack) on PRINCE [RR16, ALL12, Mor17]. Now, in [EKKT18], the authors applied CBDP on PRINCE and found 2+1 and 1+2 round integral distinguishers which are best integral distinguisher till date.

For PRINCE, we find a 2 + 2 round integral distinguisher which is one more round than the previous best results [EKKT18].

**Integral attack on MANTIS.** MANTIS is a tweakable block cipher published at CRYPTO 2016 by Beierle *et al.* [BJK<sup>+</sup>16] and the cipher's structure is similar to PRINCE (Fig.1 in Supporting Material 7.5). This block cipher operate on a 64-bit message block and work with a 64-bit tweak and  $(64 + 64)$  bit key and

has a SPN structure. For a more detailed description of the MANTIS family, we refer to the design paper [BJK<sup>+</sup>16].

In the light of cryptanalysis, there are several attacks [EK18,CLCW19,Bey20] on MANTIS. For MANTIS, we find a 3 + 3 round integral distinguisher based on BDPT which is one more round than the previous best results [EKKT18].

## 5.2 Applications to KLEIN and PRIDE

To complete our BDPT analysis on ciphers with complex linear layers, we apply our automatic search algorithm for BDPT to block ciphers KLEIN and PRIDE which have non-binary linear layers. In order to handle non-binary linear layers we trivially decompose the linear layers as COPY and XOR operations and construct the MILP model accordingly. Then, choosing appropriate initial BDPT, we find integral distinguisher as follows:

**Integral Attack on KLEIN.** KLEIN [GNL11] is a family of block ciphers, with a fixed 64-bit block size and variable key length-64, 80 or 96-bits. The structure of KLEIN is a typical Substitution Permutation Network (Fig.2). For more details, please refer to [GNL11].

In the light of cryptanalysis, there are several attacks [YWLZ11,NWW15,ASA15,AFL<sup>+</sup>12] on the block cipher KLEIN, mostly on KLEIN-64 (key length 64 bits). In [YWLZ11], the authors have presented a 5-round integral distinguisher using the higher-order integral and the higher-order differential properties which is best integral distinguisher known to us. First we apply MILP based CBDP on KLEIN and find a 6-round integral distinguisher which is one more round than the previous best results [YWLZ11]. Therefore, we apply the MILP based BDPT on KLEIN and the integral distinguishers we find are in accordance with the distinguishers we find based on CBDP.

**Integral Attack on PRIDE.** PRIDE (Fig.3) is a lightweight block cipher designed by Albrecht et al. [ADK<sup>+</sup>14], appears in CRYPTO 2014. PRIDE is an SPN structure block cipher with 64-bit block cipher and 128-bit key. For more details, please refer to [ADK<sup>+</sup>14]. In the light of cryptanalysis, there are several attacks on PRIDE [ZWWD14,YHS<sup>+</sup>15,Din15,DC17].

First we apply MILP based CBDP on PRIDE and find a 9-round integral distinguisher which is one more round than the previous best results [XZZ21]. Therefore, we apply the MILP based BDPT on PRIDE and the integral distinguishers we find are in accordance with the distinguishers we find based on CBDP.

## 5.3 Applications to SIMON, SIMON(102)

We apply our method to all variants of SIMON [BSS<sup>+</sup>15], and SIMON(102) [KLT15] block ciphers and the distinguishers we find are in accordance with the previous longest distinguishers [LWZ22] but we get these results in better time which are shown in Table 5 in Supporting Material 7.3.



## 6 Conclusion and Future Work

In this paper, we provide an idea to model BDPT propagation of ciphers with binary (complex) linear layers and furthermore we construct an efficient automatic search algorithm that accurately characterize BDPT propagation. Based on these, more accurate BDPT for ciphers with binary (complex) linear layers such as PRINCE, MANTIS can be obtained.

For ciphers with non-binary linear layers we trivially decompose the linear layer by COPY-XOR technique which may ignore some balanced property. Therefore, how to model BDPT propagation for ciphers with non-binary linear layers accurately and efficiently is an open problem. Moreover, we construct our model using MILP solver whereas SAT/SMT are also very popular and efficient solvers in this domain. How to implement our model using SAT/SMT solvers or similar ones will be a future work.

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## 7 Supporting Material

### 7.1 Division Trail for $\mathbb{L}$ of PRINCE S-box

Table 4 presents the division trails for  $\mathbb{L}$  of PRINCE S-box.

**Table 4.** Division Trails for  $\mathbb{L}$  of PRINCE S-box

Input $l$	Output $\mathbb{L}$
[0, 0, 0, 0]	[0, 0, 0, 0]
[0, 0, 0, 1]	[0, 1, 0, 0], [0, 1, 0, 1], [0, 1, 1, 0], [0, 1, 1, 1], [1, 1, 0, 0], [1, 1, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0]
[0, 0, 1, 0]	[1, 0, 0, 0], [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 0], [1, 0, 1, 1]
[0, 0, 1, 1]	[0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 1, 1], [0, 1, 0, 0], [0, 1, 0, 1], [0, 1, 1, 0], [0, 1, 1, 1] [1, 1, 0, 0], [1, 1, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0]
[0, 1, 0, 0]	[0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 1, 1], [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 1]
[0, 1, 0, 1]	[0, 0, 1, 0], [0, 1, 0, 1], [0, 1, 1, 0], [0, 1, 1, 1], [1, 0, 1, 0], [1, 1, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0]
[0, 1, 1, 0]	[0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 1, 0], [1, 0, 0, 0], [1, 0, 1, 1]
[0, 1, 1, 1]	[0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 1, 0], [0, 0, 1, 1], [0, 1, 0, 1], [0, 1, 1, 0], [0, 1, 1, 1], [1, 0, 0, 0] [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 0], [1, 1, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0]
[1, 0, 0, 0]	[0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 1, 1], [0, 1, 0, 0], [0, 1, 1, 0], [1, 0, 0, 0], [1, 0, 0, 1] [1, 0, 1, 0], [1, 0, 1, 1]
[1, 0, 0, 1]	[0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 1, 1], [0, 1, 0, 0], [0, 1, 1, 0], [1, 1, 0, 0], [1, 1, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0]
[1, 0, 1, 0]	[0, 0, 1, 0], [0, 1, 0, 0], [0, 1, 1, 0], [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 0], [1, 0, 1, 1]
[1, 0, 1, 1]	[0, 1, 0, 0], [0, 1, 1, 0], [1, 0, 0, 0], [1, 1, 0, 0], [1, 1, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0]
[1, 1, 0, 0]	[0, 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 1, 1], [1, 0, 0, 0], [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 0], [1, 0, 1, 1], [1, 1, 0, 0]
[1, 1, 0, 1]	[0, 0, 1, 1], [0, 1, 0, 1], [1, 0, 0, 0], [1, 1, 0, 0], [1, 1, 0, 1],
[1, 1, 1, 0]	[0, 0, 1, 0], [0, 1, 0, 0], [0, 1, 0, 1], [1, 0, 0, 1], [1, 0, 1, 0] [1, 0, 1, 1], [1, 1, 0, 1], [1, 1, 1, 0]
[1, 1, 1, 1]	[1, 1, 1, 1]

### 7.2 Linear Inequalities description BDPT of PRINCE S-box

The following inequalities are the inequalities used to describe the PRINCE S-box whose feasible solutions are exactly the division trails for  $\mathbb{K}$  of the PRINCE

S-box where  $(x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0) \rightarrow (y_3, y_2, y_1, y_0)$  denotes a division trail.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_3 + x_2 + x_1 + 4x_0 - 2y_3 - 2y_2 - 2y_1 - 2y_0 \geq -1 \\ 3x_3 - y_3 - y_2 - y_1 - y_0 \geq -1 \\ -2x_3 - x_2 - x_1 - 2x_0 + 5y_3 + 5y_2 + 4y_1 + 4y_0 \geq 0 \\ 3x_2 - y_3 - y_2 - y_1 - y_0 \geq -1 \\ -5x_3 - 5x_2 - 5x_1 - 4x_0 + y_3 + 2y_2 + 2y_1 + y_0 \geq -13 \\ -y_3 - y_2 - y_1 + 2y_0 \geq -1 \\ x_1 - y_3 - y_0 \geq -1 \\ -x_3 - x_1 + y_3 - y_0 \geq -2 \\ -x_2 - x_0 + 2y_3 + y_2 + 2y_1 + 2y_0 \geq 0 \\ -x_3 - x_0 + y_3 + y_2 + y_0 \geq -1 \\ -2x_3 - 2x_2 - 2x_0 + y_3 - y_2 - y_1 + 2y_0 \geq -5 \end{array} \right. \quad (14)$$

The following inequalities are the inequalities used to describe the PRINCE S-box whose feasible solutions are exactly the division trails for  $\mathbb{L}$  of the PRINCE S-box where  $(x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0) \rightarrow (y_3, y_2, y_1, y_0)$  denotes a division trail.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_3 + x_2 + x_1 + 3x_0 - 2y_3 - 4y_2 - 2y_1 - 2y_0 \geq -5 \\ -2x_3 - x_2 - x_1 - 2x_0 + 5y_3 + 5y_2 + 4y_1 + 4y_0 \geq 0 \\ -2x_3 + x_2 + x_1 - 6x_0 - 6y_3 + 4y_2 - 2y_1 - 3y_0 \geq -13 \\ 4x_3 - x_2 + 3x_1 + 6x_0 - y_3 - 2y_2 - 2y_1 + 4y_0 \geq 0 \\ -3x_3 + x_2 - 3x_1 - x_0 + 2y_3 - y_1 - 3y_0 \geq -8 \\ 2x_3 + x_2 + 2x_1 - x_0 + 2y_2 - y_0 \geq 0 \\ -2x_3 - 2x_2 + x_1 + y_3 - y_2 - y_1 + y_0 \geq -4 \\ x_3 + x_2 + 2x_0 + y_3 - y_2 - y_0 \geq 0 \\ x_3 + 5x_2 + x_1 - 3x_0 + y_3 + 5y_2 - 2y_1 + 4y_0 \geq 0 \\ x_3 - 2x_2 + x_1 + y_3 + 2y_1 + 2y_0 \geq 0 \\ -x_3 - 2x_2 - 2x_1 - x_0 - y_3 - y_2 + y_1 + y_0 \geq -6 \\ x_2 + x_0 - y_3 - y_2 \geq -1 \\ -x_3 - x_1 + x_0 + y_3 + 2y_2 + 2y_1 + y_0 \geq 0 \\ -x_3 + x_2 + y_3 - y_2 - y_0 \geq -2 \\ -x_3 - x_2 + x_1 + x_0 - 2y_2 - y_1 - y_0 \geq -4 \\ -x_1 + x_0 + y_3 - y_1 - y_0 \geq -2 \\ x_3 - x_2 - x_1 + x_0 - y_3 + y_1 - y_0 \geq -3 \\ x_3 + x_2 + x_1 + 3x_0 - 3y_3 - 5y_2 - 3y_1 - 3y_0 \geq -8 \end{array} \right. \quad (15)$$

### 7.3 Table in Section 5

We apply our automatic search algorithm on the block cipher SIMON, SIMON(102) and compare our runtime with the runtime of the algorithm discussed in [LWZ22] and [WHG<sup>+</sup>20] in Table 5. For SIMON, SIMON(102) family

of block ciphers, since the round keys are XORed into state after the round functions, we can add one more round before the distinguishers using the technique in [WLV<sup>+</sup>14] and these extended integral distinguishers cannot be found by our method directly.

#### 7.4 Integral Distinguishers Listed on Table 1

We apply our automatic search algorithm for BDPT to SIMON, SIMON(102), MANTIS, PRINCE, KLEIN, and PRIDE block ciphers. All the experiments are conducted on the platform Intel Core i5-8250U CPU @ 1.60GHz, 8G RAM, 64bit Ubuntu 18.04.5 LTS. The optimizer we used to solve MILP models is Gurobi 9.1.2 [Gur21]. For the integral distinguishers, '?' denotes the bit whose balanced information is unknown, '0' denotes the bit whose sum is zero, '1' denotes the bit whose sum is 1. The lists are given below.

#### 7.5 Figures in Section 5

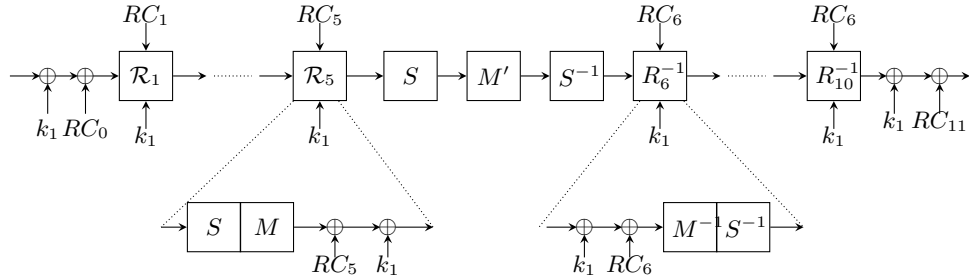


Fig. 1. Fig. Encryption Process of PRINCE<sub>core</sub>

**Table 5.** Summarization of Integral Distinguishers of SIMON, and SIMON(102)

Cipher	Data	Round	Number of constant bits	Time	References
SIMON32	$2^{31}$	15	3	1.6m	[LWZ22]
	$2^{31}$	15	3	<b>1.3m</b>	<b>Sect. 5.7</b>
SIMON48	$2^{47}$	16	24	8.4m	[LWZ22]
	$2^{47}$	16	24	<b>6m</b>	<b>Sect. 5.7</b>
SIMON64	$2^{63}$	18	27	1hr8m	[LWZ22]
	$2^{63}$	18	27	<b>25m</b>	<b>Sect. 5.7</b>
SIMON96	$2^{95}$	22	5	5hr55m	[LWZ22]
	$2^{95}$	22	5	<b>1hr30m</b>	<b>Sect. 5.7</b>
SIMON128	$2^{127}$	26	3	21hr7m	[LWZ22]
	$2^{127}$	26	3	<b>3hr50m</b>	<b>Sect. 5.7</b>
SIMON(102)32	$2^{31}$	20	3	-	[LWZ22]
	$2^{31}$	20	3	22m	[WHG <sup>+</sup> 20]
	$2^{31}$	20	3	<b>2m</b>	<b>Sect. 5.7</b>
SIMON(102)48	$2^{47}$	28	3	-	[LWZ22]
	$2^{47}$	28	3	1hr10m	[WHG <sup>+</sup> 20]
	$2^{47}$	28	3	<b>15m</b>	<b>Sect. 5.7</b>
SIMON(102)64	$2^{63}$	36	3	-	[LWZ22]
	$2^{63}$	36	3	3hr27m	[WHG <sup>+</sup> 20]
	$2^{63}$	36	3	<b>45m</b>	<b>Sect. 5.7</b>



**Table 6.** Integral Distinguishers of KLEIN

Cipher	Distinguisher	Ref
6-KLEIN64	In: $(ffff, ffff, fff3, ffff)$ . Out: $(0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000)$	CBDP, BDPT

**Table 7.** Integral Distinguishers of PRIDE

Cipher	Distinguisher	Ref
9-PRIDE64	In: $(7fff, ffff, ffff, ffff)$ . Out: $(00??, 00??, 00??, 00??, 00??, 00??, 00??, 00??, 00??, 00??, 00??, 00??, 00??, 00??, 00??, 00??)$	CBDP, BDPT

**Table 8.** Integral Distinguishers of MANTIS

Cipher	Distinguisher	Ref
(3+3)- MANTIS64	In: $(bfff, ffff, ffff, ffff)$ . Out: $(0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000)$	BDPT

**Table 9.** Integral Distinguishers of PRINCE

Cipher	Distinguisher	Ref
(2+2)- PRINCE64	In: $(ffff, ffff, ffff, ffef)$ . Out: $(0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000)$	BDPT

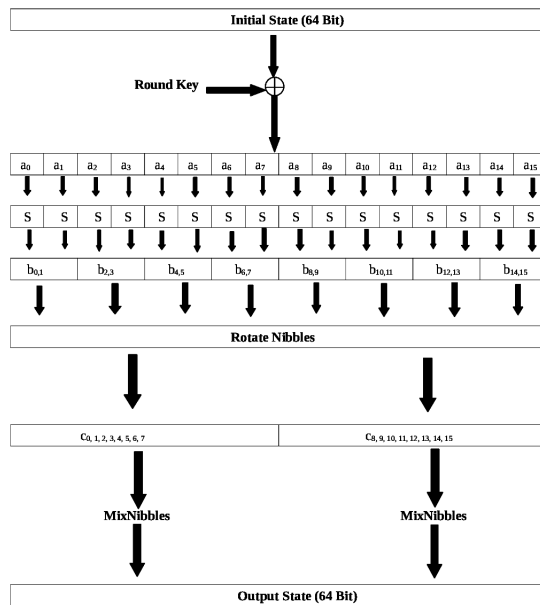
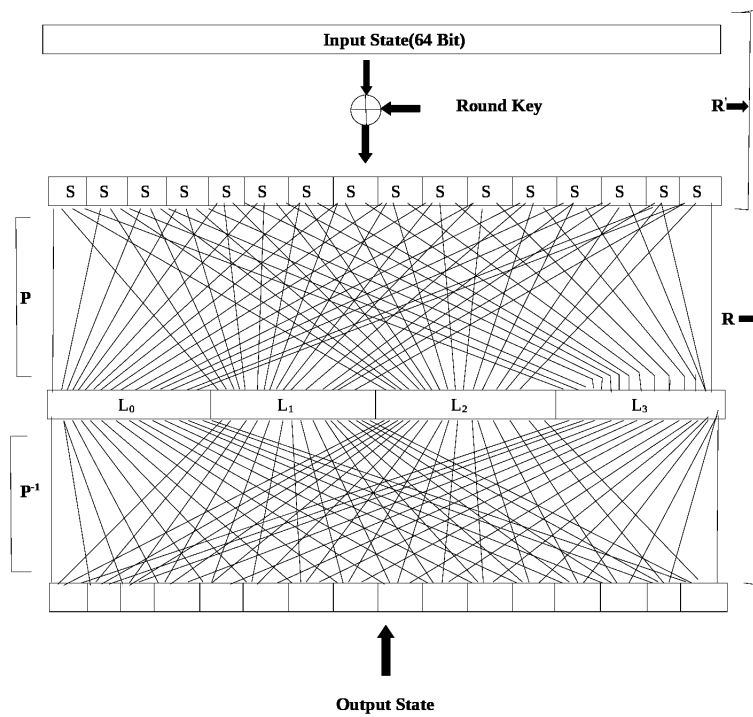


Fig. 2. One-round structure of KLEIN64



**Fig. 3.** One-round structure of PRIDE