

# **Secure Connected Devices**

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## **Secure Connected Devices**

#### Trusted Hardware

- PUF-based authentication
- Hardware Trojan Detection
- Side Channel Analysis
- Security & Approximate Computing
- Deep Learning in HW Security

#### Advanced Crypto Architectures

- Post-quantum crypto architectures
- Hybrid quantum/PQC designs
- Homomorphic Encryption, IBE, ABE
- Password Authenticated Key Exchange



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# Machine Learning and Physical Unclonable Functions (PUFs)



### What is a PUF?

A PUF (Physical Unclonable Function) is a digital circuit that uses manufacturing process variations to generate a unique digital fingerprint.



No two chips should give the same response when supplied with the same challenge.



## **PUF Applications**

Anti-cloning/Anti-tamper

Key generation/Memoryless key storage

Lightweight device authentication and unique identification

Data Provenance/Incident Tracing



#### PUF in Practice



device-unique encryption key that cannot be read by anyone, including the user. Along with generating a unique encryption key, the PUF also generates the required helper data so that the PUF can exactly regenerate the encryption key later. The details of the PUF are described in the Zvna UltraScale + MPSoC: Technical Reference Manual (UG1085) [Ref 1], Normally, the PUF's encryption key, referred to as the Key Encryption Key (KEK), is used for encrypting a user's plain-text red key so that a user's red key can be stored encrypted in black key form in either eFUSES or the boot header. The black encryption key is then decrypted using the PUF's KEK to generate the red key, which in turn is used for decrypting the boot information during secure boot. This use of the PUF is shown in Figure 1.

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and SoCs

Despite FPGA company investment in new security capabilities and structures, the fixed and predictable nature of the device configuration process itself is an untapped area of security investment. In both SRAM and flash device configuration processes, fixed state machines manage the order of authentication, decryption, decompression, and actual device configuration. What is needed is a failsafe, strongly authenticated but programmable security scheme, with modern encryption blocks and hardware-based identity. Intel has recognized these challenges and requirements across users of FPGA security features, and responded with the design of the security architecture of Intel® Stratix® 10 FPGAs and SoCs

#### Introducing 'configurability' to configuration

Recognizing this FPGA design security issue, Intel Arria® 10 SoCs introduce the industry-unique capability for user-selected boot order. This method allows specific applications, or configuration loads of the Intel Arria 10 SoC to select whether the FPGA design or HPS system application configures first, and whether configuration control of the second system is managed by the first. This scheme gives the SoC designer a flexible, first order degree of control over the Intel Arria 10 SoC configuration parameters.

Intel Stratix 10 FPGAs and SoCs, built on Intel's 14 nm Tri-Gate transistor technology. In offer the next dimension of flexibility and user-selected configuration control with the Secure Device Manager (SDM). The SDM is a microprocessor block available in all densities and variants of Intel Stratix 10 EPGAs and SoCs that provides a robust, secure, and fully authenticated configuration scheme. Additionally, it allows users to customize device configuration. Other advantages include configuration time, responses to single-event upsets, reactive zeroization of data as a security response, key management and update, and providing field upgrades. This combination of features and flexibility in the SDM for Intel Stratix 10

#### SYNOPSYS

#### Physically Unclonable Function (PUF) Solution for ARC EM Processors

#### **Target Applications** IoT

Wearables

Mobile

Microcontrollers

Sensors

#### Technology

TSMC, UMC, Intel, Samsung 180nm, 150nm, 130nm, 90nm. 65nm, 45nm, 40nm, 28nm, 16nm, 14nm

#### Physically Unclonable Function Solution for ARC EM Processors The Physically Unclonable Function (PUF) solution from Intrinsic-ID is available for DesignWare® ARC® EM Processors and enables designers to extract a unique device fingerprint from standard embedded SRAM. This fingerprint can be used as a device identifier or as a cryptographic key. In the latter case, it effectively creates a secure key vault without the need to add non-volatile memory (NVM) or a dedicated security core. In combination with ARC EM Processor security options such as the Enhanced Security Package and CryptoPack, the PUF solution provides a highperformance, low-power security engine for protecting low-power IoT edge nodes

Figure 1. Flow of PUF technology used for secure key management

#### Identification with Fuzzy-ID

such as wearables or smart home devices.

The startup pattern from an SRAM PUF can be used to uniquely identify a chip. Some of the bits in the pattern are unstable, so the matching has to be done using software known as the Fuzzy Identifier algorithm. This algorithm converts the unique but variable fuzzy identifier into a unique, collision-free fixed identifier comparable to a chip Identifier like the Electronic Chip ID (ECID).

## **Challenge-Response PUFS are vulnerable to ML attacks**



U. Rührmair, J. Sölter, F. Sehnke, X. Xu, A. Mahmoud, V. Stoyanova, G. Dror, J. Schmidhuber, W. Burleson, S. Devadas, "PUF modelling attacks on simulated and silicon data," IEEE Trans Information Forensics and Security, vol. 8(11), pp.1876–1891, 2013.



#### **ML- Attack Resistant PUF Design Approaches**

- Increase complexity of the PUF design
  - if too complex, PUF design is no longer a lightweight primitive

- Obfuscate the challenge/response (e.g. XOR Arbiter PUF)
  - Use a weak PUF
  - All XOR APUF shown to be susceptible to reliability based CMA-ES attacks (based on challenge-reliability pairs)
- Deception techniques



### **ML- Attack Resistant PUF - Challenge obfuscation**

Arbiter-based multi-PUF (MPUF) design - utilises a Weak PUF to obfuscate the challenges to a Strong PUF

=> harder to model than the conventional Arbiter PUF using ML attacks.



Proposed 1-bit MPUF Design

The responses of the PicoPUFs are used to mask the original challenges  $C_i$ 

Q. Ma, C. Gu, N. Hanley, C. Wang, W. Liu and M. O'Neill, "A machine learning attack resistant multi-PUF design on FPGA," 2018 23rd Asia and South Pacific Design Automation Conference (ASP-DAC), Jeju, 2018, pp. 97-104.



### **ML- Attack Resistant PUF - Challenge obfuscation**

Most common ML-based attacks applied to PUF:

- Logistic regression (LR)
- Covariance matrix adaptation evolution strategies (CMA-ES)





#### Prediction rates for conventional Arbiter- PUF and proposed MPUF designs using CMA-ES

## **ML- Attack Resistant PUF – Deception Protocols**

- Device detects an adversary sending continuous authentication requests
- Generate some responses from a deceptive PUF design and others generated from real PUF.
- Adversary will be deceived into deriving a fake PUF model from the collected data.
- Lightweight and do not require error-correction or sophisticated cryptographic algorithms



C Gu, C.H. Chang, W. Liu, S. Yu, Q. Ma, M. O'Neill, A Modeling Attack Resistant Deception Technique for Securing PUF based Authentication , 2019 Asian Hardware Oriented Security and Trust Symposium (AsianHOST)



#### **ML- Attack Resistant PUF – Deception Protocol**



The CMA-ES attack results for the proposed deception protocol by applying different challenge bit lengths, 64-bit and 128-bit, as well as utilizing different strategies (RNG and fake PUF).



The LR attack results for the proposed deception protocol utilizing different strategies, RNG and fake PUF. The y-axis shows the achieved prediction rate of the LR attacks based on different percentages of fake information mixed with the training responses.

# Machine Learning and Side Channel Analysis



# Side Channel Analysis (SCA)





## **Leakage of AES implementation**

- Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) is safe in theory, but it is vulnerable under SCA.
- Non-linear and sensitive operation Sbox works with 8-bit sub-byte key.
- Sbox leaks hypothesis key via the relationship between the output value or its hamming weight, and side-channel information.
- The leakage can be trained using machine learning



# SCA Countermeasures against DPA/CPA

#### Masking

- a random mask is generated to conceal intermediate values, removing the correlation between the measurements and the secret data

#### Hiding

- aim is to make measurements look random or constant
- decreases the SNR only
- Timing (insert dummy operations, shuffling ...)
- Amplitude (filters, pipelining ...)



# **Evaluated AES implementation with SCA countermeasure (from ASCAD Database)**

- AES implementation on 8-bit AVR ATMega 8515 microprocessor
- Two **masks** are used for

> Plaintext  $\overline{p_i} = p_i \oplus m_i$ 

 $\Rightarrow \mathsf{SBox} \quad \overline{SBox(x)} = SBox(x \oplus m_{i.in}) \oplus m_{i.out}$ 

A-T. Hoang, N. Hanley, M.O'Neill, Plaintext: A Missing Feature for Enhancing the Power of Deep Learning in Side-Channel Analysis? IACR Transactions on Cryptographic Hardware and Embedded Systems (TCHES), 2020(4), 49-85

A-T. Hoang, N. Hanley, A. Khalid, D. Kundi, M.O'Neill, **Stacked Ensemble Model for Enhancing the DL based SCA.** 19th International Conference on Security and Cryptography, SECRYPT 2022, Lisbon, Portugal, July 11-13, 2022, pages 59–68, 2022

# Attack model

- Attack on the output of the 3<sup>rd</sup> SBox in the 1<sup>st</sup> round of AES
- Classification uses the output value of SBox (256 classes)

## $SBox(p_2 \oplus k_2)$



# **CNN with Plaintext extension (CNNP)**

- Three convolutional layers
- The number of convolutional filters reduces from 512 to 128
- Maxpooling is used for feature finding
- Finding features are extended with Plaintext

CNNP with single convolutional filter kernel (size) version 1 (Simplified version of multiple Pol sizes combination)



- Five fully-connected layers are used to compile the features extracted from the previous layers
- Over-fitting is prevented by using dropout



# Attackers knowledge & experimental conditions

- Assumption about attacker:
  - > Knows plaintext / ciphertext
  - > Aware of SCA countermeasure but not aware of the detailed design and random mask value
  - Can profile keys on the implementation
- Hypothesis keys are ranked using Maximum likelihood score
- Training is performed on VMware hosted Ubuntu with access to virtual NVIDIA GRID M60-8Q and M40-4Q GPUs.



# **Evaluation of CNNP models on ASCAD fixed key dataset**



- CNNP model can reveal the secret key within 2 traces
- CNNP models relies on the bijection S[(.) ⊕ K] to reveal K without using traces



# ML-based Countermeasures against MLbased SCA

- Countermeasures based on adversarial attacks
  - add adversarial perturbations to the crypto implementation
- Reinforcement learning approach to construct low-cost hiding countermeasure combinations
  - finds the best combination of countermeasures within a specific budget

S.Picek, D.Jap, S.Bhasin. Poster: When adversary becomes the guardian–towards side-channel security with adversarial attacks. *Proceedings of the 2019 ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security*, pages 2673–2675, 2019

J. Rijsdijk, L Wu, G Perin, Reinforcement Learning-Based Design of Side-Channel Countermeasures, International Conference on Security, Privacy, and Applied Cryptography Engineering, LNCS 13162, pp 168-187, 2021

# Machine Learning and Hardware Trojan Detection



## **Hardware Trojan Detection**





#### Hardware Trojan

- Additional circuit inserted into an IC design at RTL or gate level for malicious purposes;
- Malicious modification of a circuit.
- Usually stealthy to escape verification and manufacturing test processes
- Detection is very difficult there may be no Trojan-free reference for comparison



## **Hardware Trojan Detection Approaches**



J. Francq, F. Frick, Introduction to hardware Trojan detection methods, Design, Automation & Test in Europe Conference & Exhibition (DATE), 2015.



## **Previous Work – HT Feature Extraction**

- Most of the previous research extract HT features by statistical analysis of netlist information.
- Most of them need knowledge driven approaches for the features selection and weight adjustment.

Ref.	Feature Type	Features	Detection method				
[1]	statistical	controllability,observability	K-means clustering				
[2]	statistical	controllability, observability	Bagged Trees				
[3]	statistical	controllability, switching probability	K-means clustering				
[4]	statistical	controllability,observability, number of specific cells	SVM				
[5]	statistical	LGFi, FFi, FFo, PI, PO	SVM				
[6]	statistical	LGFi, FFi, FFo, PI, PO	Ensemble-learning				
[7]	statistical	11 numerical features	Random forest				
[8]	statistical	11 numerical features	Neural Networks				
[9]	structural, statistical	two-level AONN gates, number of specific paths	Score-based				

A SUMMARIZATION OF GATE-LEVEL HT FEATURES EXTRACTED IN PREVIOUS RESEARCH

[1] H. Salmani, "Cotd: Reference-free hardware Trojan detection and recovery based on controllability and observability in gate-level netlist "

[5] K. Hasegawa, "Hardware Trojans classification for gate-level netlists based on machine learning"

[2] C. H. Kok, "Classification of Trojan nets based on scoap values using supervised learning"

[6] Y. Wang, "Ensemble-learning-based hardware Trojans detection method by detecting the trigger nets"
[7] K. Hasegawa "Trojan-feature extraction at gate-level netlists and its application to hardware-Trojan detection using

[3] Y. He "Trigger identification using difference-amplified controllability and dynamic transition probability for random forest classifier" hardware Trojan detection" [8] K. Hasegawa, "Hardwa

[8] K. Hasegawa, "Hardware Trojans classification for gate-level netlists using multilayer neural networks"

[9] Q. Liu, "A hardware Trojan detection method based on structural features of Trojan and host circuits"



[4] X. Xie, "Hardware Trojans classification based on controllability and observability in gate-level netlist"

# **DL-based HT Detection Methods (Data-driven)**

Data-driven HT detection that can effectively detect HTs without any prior knowledge of the circuits
Natural language processing (NLP) technique for information encoding;
DL-based classification models for HT detection (tested using LSTM and CNN models).

#### **Netlists**



Netlist Information Extraction Strategy

Shichao Yu, Chongyan Gu, Weiqiang Liu and Maire O'Neill, **A Novel Feature Extraction Strategy for Hardware Trojan Detection**," In Proc. IEEE Int. Symp. Circuits and Systems (ISCAS), pages 1-5, Seville, Spain, Oct. 2020

Shichao Yu, Chongyan Gu, Weiqiang Liu and Maire O'Neill, **Deep Learning-based Hardware Trojan Detection with Block-based Netlist Information Extraction**," In IEEE Trans. Emerg. Topics Comput., Oct. 2021

## **DL-Based HT Detection System Evaluation**



#### □ Trust-Hub LEDA library containing 914 HT-infected netlist samples are utilized for evaluation.

HT	NT - 41° - 4	Num. of Components		NI - 41° - 4	Num. of Components				HT	HT Netlist		Num. of Components			Notlist	Num. of Components					
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- □ 79% TPR, 99% TNR, 87% PPV and 99% NPV for **combinational** Trojan detection (40 training samples/40 validating samples, 5 epochs, LSTM);
- 93% TPR, 99% TNR, 98% PPV and 99% NPV for sequential Trojan detection (40 training samples/40 validating samples, 5 epochs, LSTM)

# Security in/for Approximate Computing



# **Approximate Computing**

Approximate computing has emerged as a potentially preferable paradigm for energy-efficient applications that are error-tolerant

Example applications: AI, robotics, image and video processing, NLP







# **Approximate Computing Strategies**



- Approximate computing can be applied to different levels, from hardware to software.
- A system with approximation should have the same security as its nonapproximation parts.
- However, the reality is that approximate computing may be even more **vulnerable**.



Approximate computing strategies and techniques

# **Security Threats in Approximate Computing**



Security attacks & solutions for Approximate Circuits and Memory

- SCA
- Hardware Trojans
- Approximate PUF

Using Approximate computing to improve security

- Advanced Crypto



Security threats in Approximate Computing

