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## The Key-Dependent Message Security of Key-Alternating Feistel Ciphers

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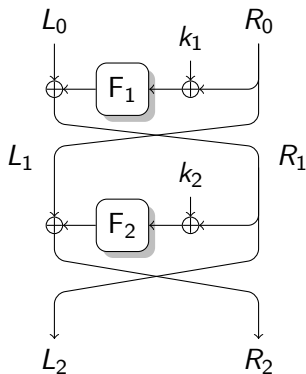
# KDM Security

- Key Dependent-Message Security
  - ▶ access to a ciphertext resulting from the encryption of **key-dependent message** [BRS03]
  
- Full disk encryption



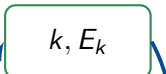
# Key-Alternating Feistel (KAF)

- Configuration:
  - ▶  $r$  rounds
  - ▶  $r$  internal functions  $F_i$  ( $=$  or  $\neq$ )
  - ▶ Key schedule:
    - $r$  keys ( $=$  or  $\neq$ )
    - $r$  keys derived from a master key
- Previous security analysis
  - ▶ Indistinguishability ([LS15])
  - ▶ (Indifferentiability KAF\*[GL15])
- Examples:
  - ▶ DES, GOST etc.



# KDM security: Indistinguishability game

(b=0) Real world



function  $\phi$

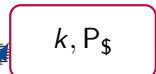


$\mathcal{A}$

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$E_k(\phi(k))$

(b=1) Ideal world



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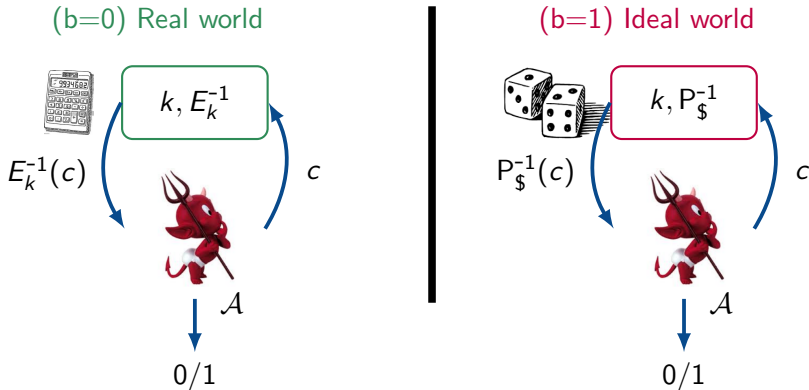
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$P_S(\phi(k))$

KDM-CPA adversary

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KDM-CCA adversary ("Standard" decryption)

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## KDM set restriction: Claw-freeness

- Find the largest set  $\Phi$  of functions  $\phi$  such that Adv is small
  - ▶ Including constant functions
- The KDM set  $\Phi$  has to be restricted  $\rightarrow$  Key extraction [FKV17]

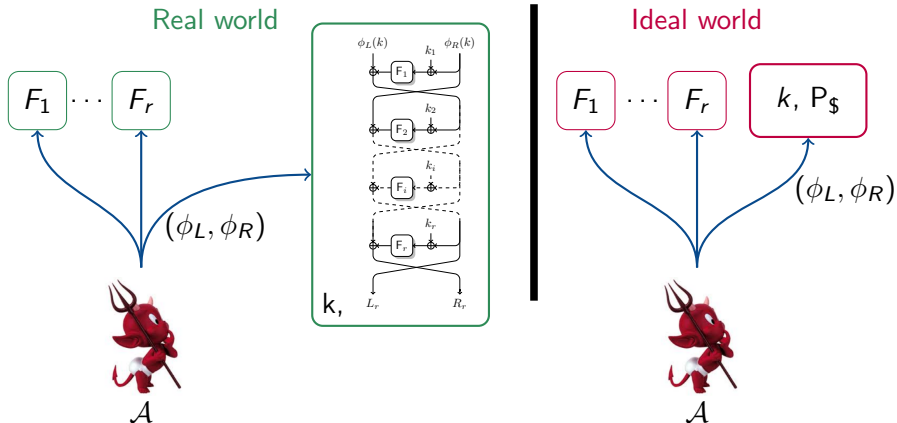
Claw-freeness of a set  $\Phi$ :

$$\mathbf{cf}(\Phi) := \max_{\phi_1 \neq \phi_2 \in \Phi} \Pr[k \leftarrow \mathcal{K} : \phi_1(k) = \phi_2(k)]$$

KDM security:

- Ideal-Cipher KDM-secure under claw-free sets [FKV17]
- What about Key-Alternating Feistels ?

# Security analysis: KDM Security game for KAF



$F_i$  uniformly random functions,  
KDM set  $\Phi = (\Phi_L, \Phi_R)$

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Offset-freeness of a set  $\Phi$ :

$$\text{of}(\Phi) := \max_{\substack{i \in \{1, \dots, \ell\} \\ \phi \in \Phi, x \in \{0,1\}^n}} \Pr[(k_1, \dots, k_\ell) \leftarrow \mathcal{K} : \phi(k_1, \dots, k_\ell) = k_i \oplus x]$$

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- Sliding attack (any number of rounds)

- ▶ Same internal function and same key
- ▶ not CPA-secure
- ▶ Key extraction attack (1 query)

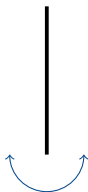
- $\phi_L(k) = k \oplus F^2(\Delta) \oplus \Delta \oplus F[F(\Delta) \oplus F(F^2(\Delta) \oplus \Delta)]$
- $\phi_R(k) = k \oplus F(\Delta) \oplus F[F^2(\Delta) \oplus \Delta]$
- $R_r = k$
- $L_r \oplus R_r = \Delta$

# Generic Proof Methodology

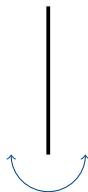
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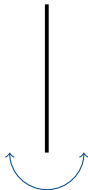
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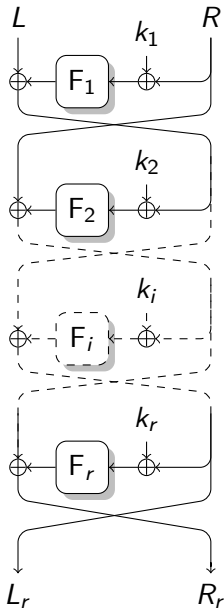


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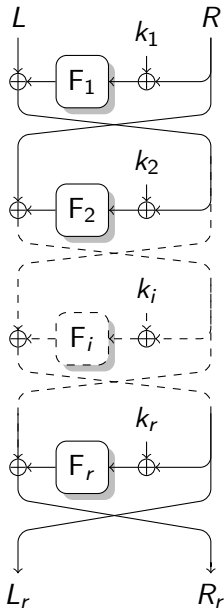
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Questions ?





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