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Computer-Aided Verification of Countermeasures against Physical Attacks

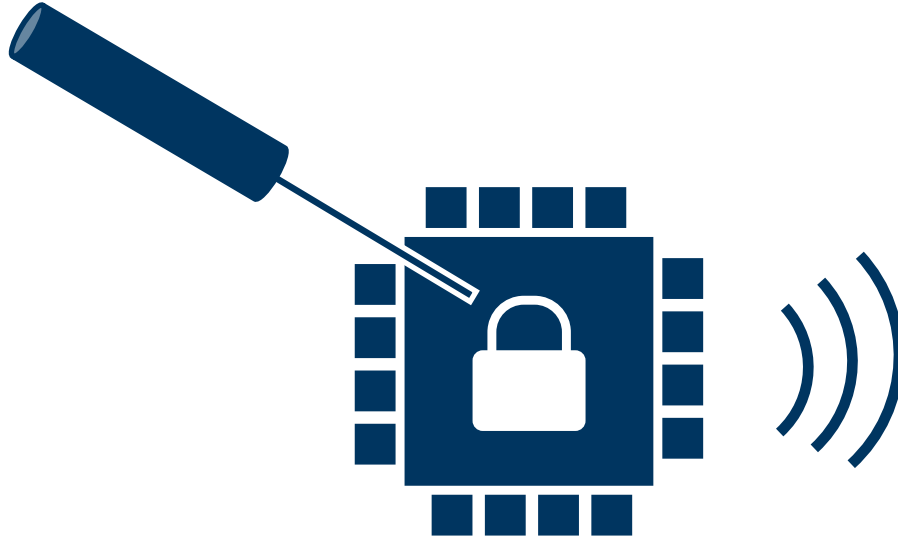
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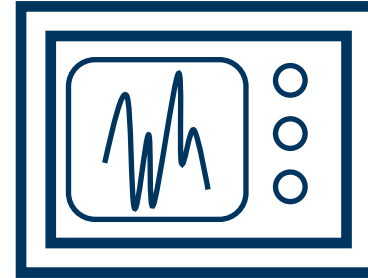
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Physical Attacks

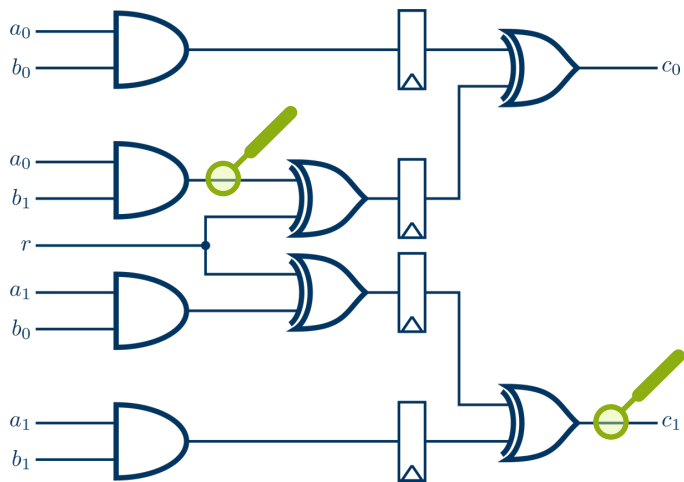


Fault-Injection Attacks



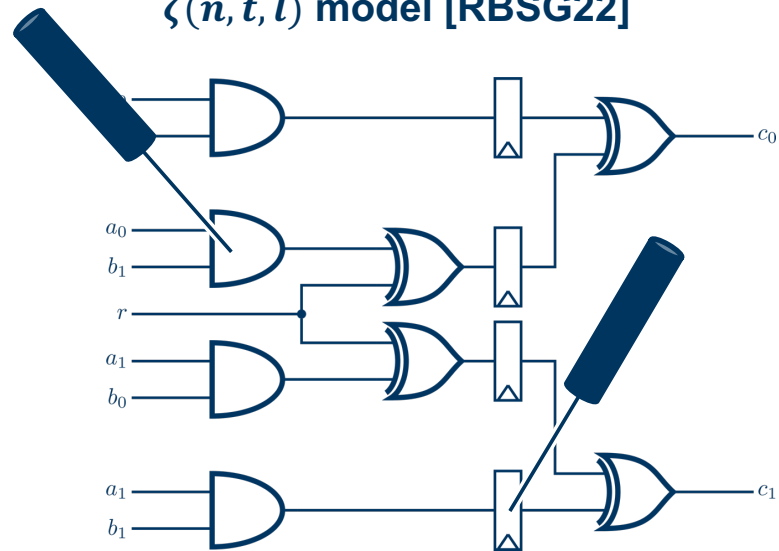
Side-Channel Attacks

d -probing model [ISW03]



An adversary is given the exact values of up to d wires of a circuit C .

$\zeta(n, t, l)$ model [RBSG22]



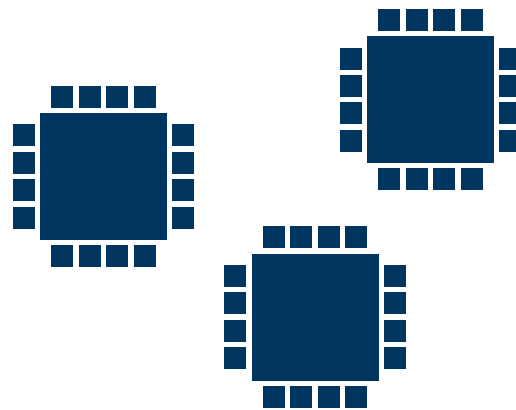
An adversary can inject up to n faults assuming a fault type t and locations l .

Side-Channel Attacks



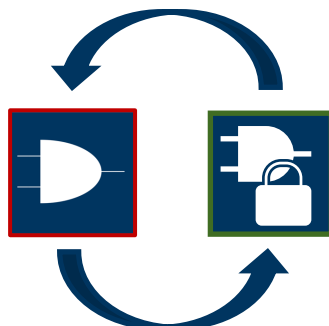
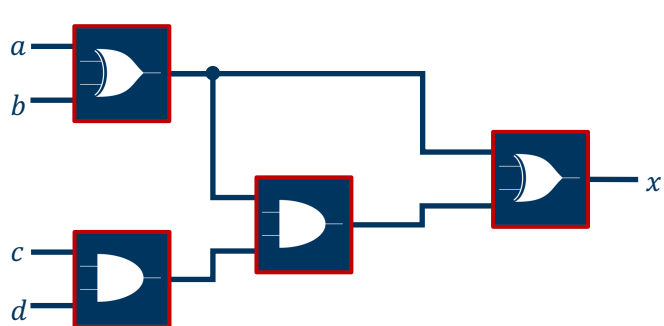
Masking

Fault-Injection Attacks

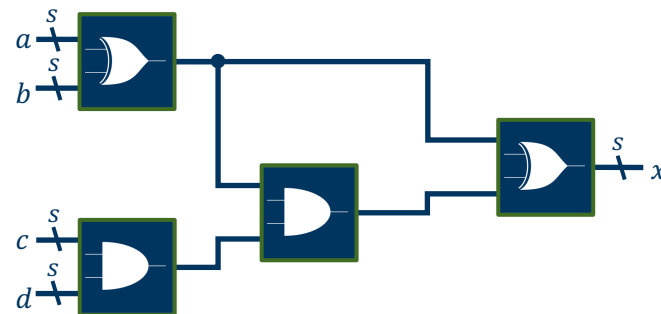


Redundancy

Insecure Circuit

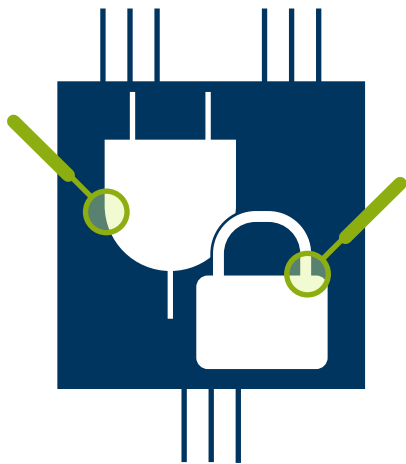


Protected Circuit



Composability Notions

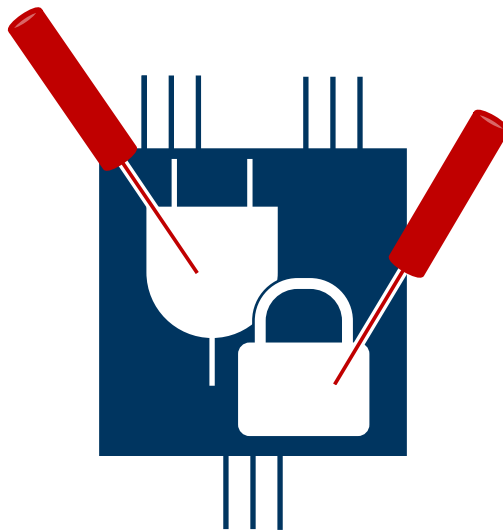
Side Channel



PNI, PSNI

PINI

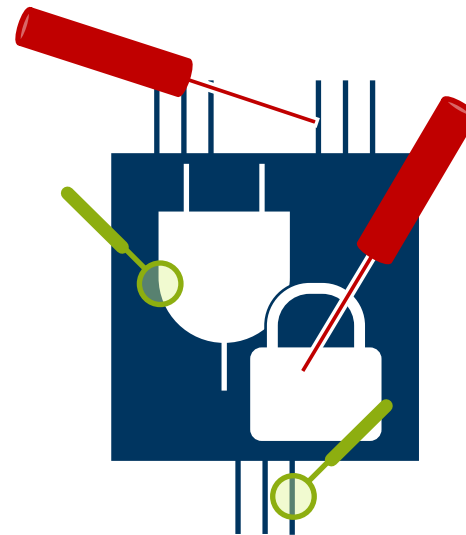
Fault Injection



FNI, FSNI

FINI

Combined



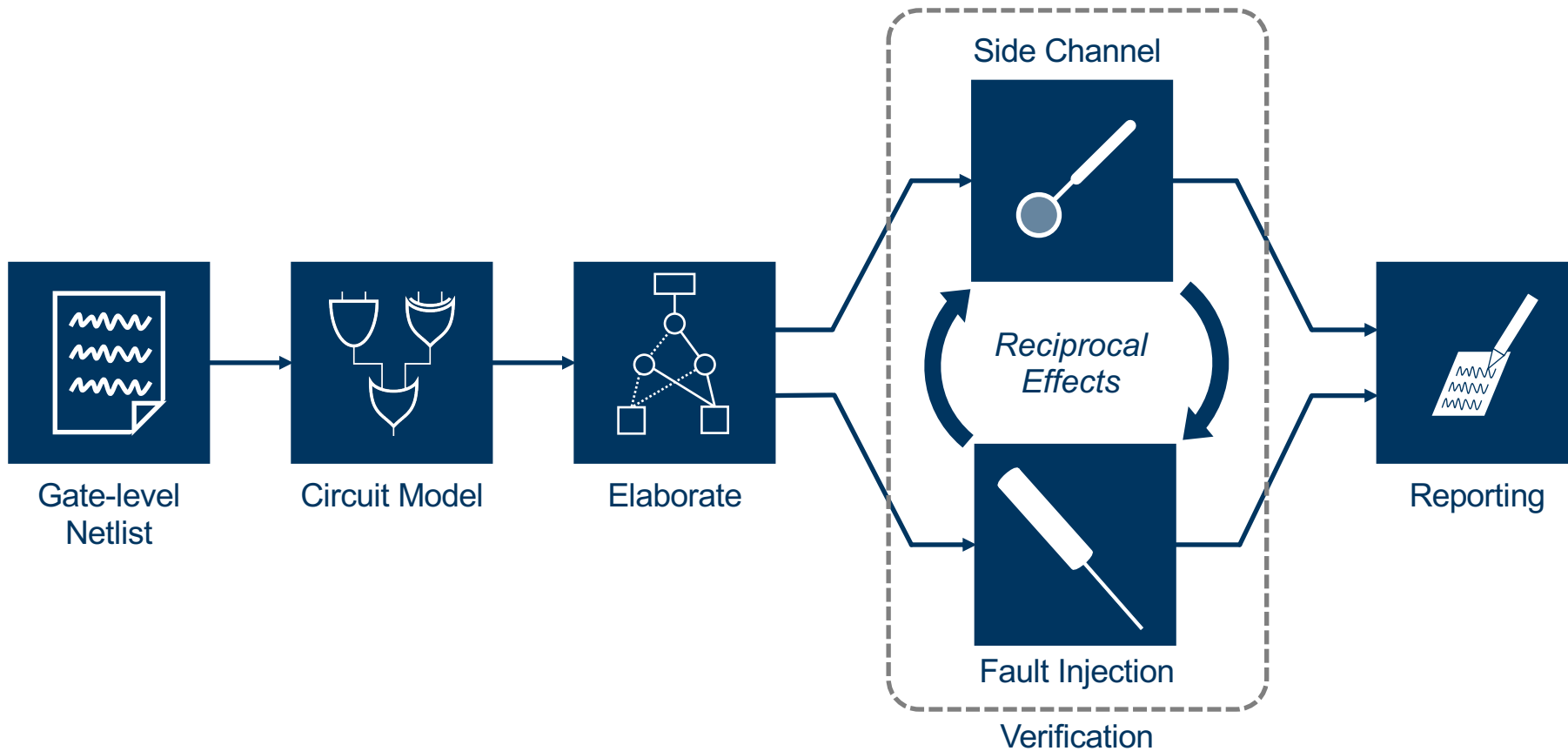
CNI, CSNI, ICSNI

CINI, ICINI



How to efficiently apply computer-aided verification to evaluate countermeasures against physical attacks?

Verification Concept



Verification of Countermeasures against Fault Injections [RBRSS+21]

Single round of CRAFT protected by linear error correcting codes

$$t = \tau_{bf} \quad l = mc_{\infty}$$

1-bit Protection



925

$$\binom{n}{k}$$

766



0.021 s

2-bit Protection



1 490

$$\binom{n}{k}$$

329 730



1.496 s

3-bit Protection



1 807

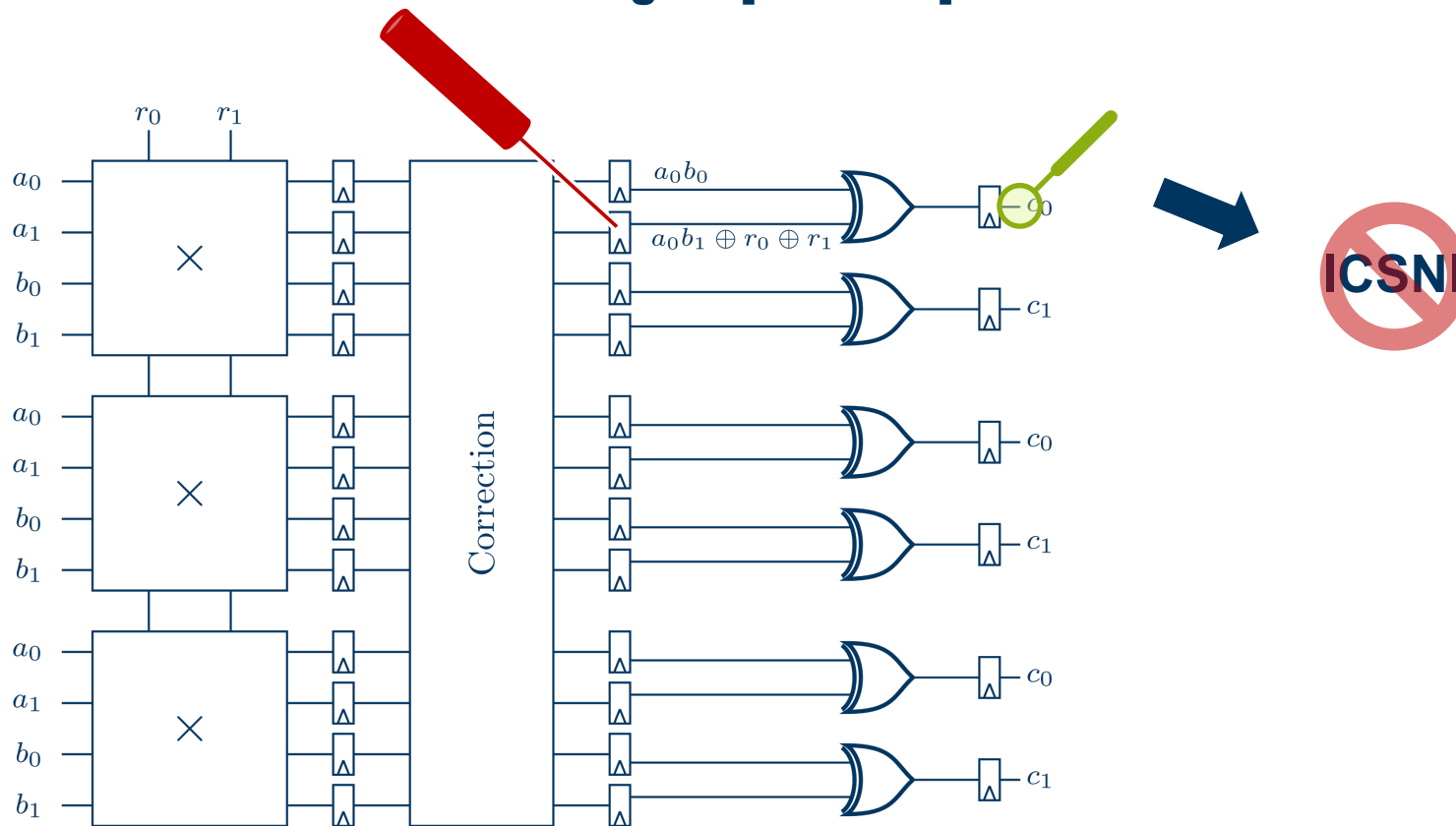
$$\binom{n}{k}$$

91 737 144



2 937 s

Verification of Combined Gadgets [RFSG22]



The gadget has been originally proposed in [DN20] and should be (1,1)-ICSNI.

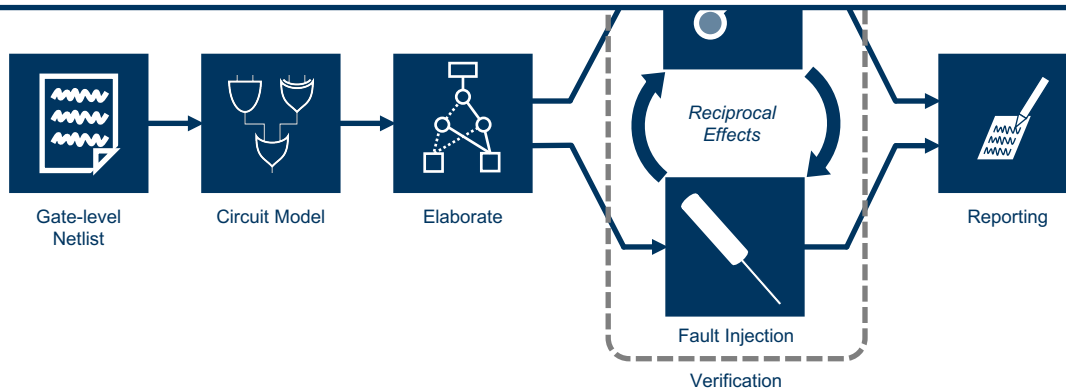


Code and paper are publicly available

<https://github.com/Chair-for-Security-Engineering/VERICA>



Modeling of Physical Attacks



Verification of Countermeasures against Physical Attacks

Thank you!

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