

Fighting against theft, cloning and counterfeiting of integrated circuits

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Protection of the intellectual property of the fables designers

why ?

Semiconductor market

- Market increase
 - + 45% from 2009 to 2015 (336 billion of US \$)
- SoC manufacturing cost rise
 - SoC complexity increase (*add value increase*)
 - +40% from 32nm (92 M€)=> to 28nm (130 M€)
 - Reduction => 30% with 450mm wafer [ITRS 2011]



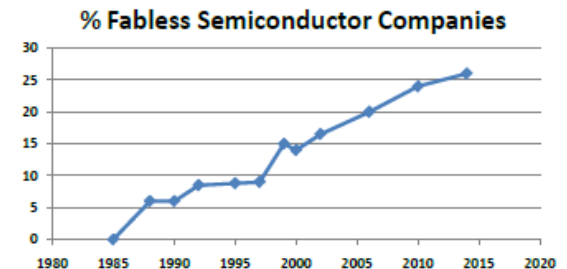
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd.

- Manufacturing changes
 - Outsourcing of the manufacture and the design (mainly in Asia)
 - Fabless semiconductor companies increase

Tech.	Transistors	Manufacturing costs
130 nm	9 millions	9 millions €
90 nm	16 millions	18 millions €
65 nm	30 millions	46 millions €

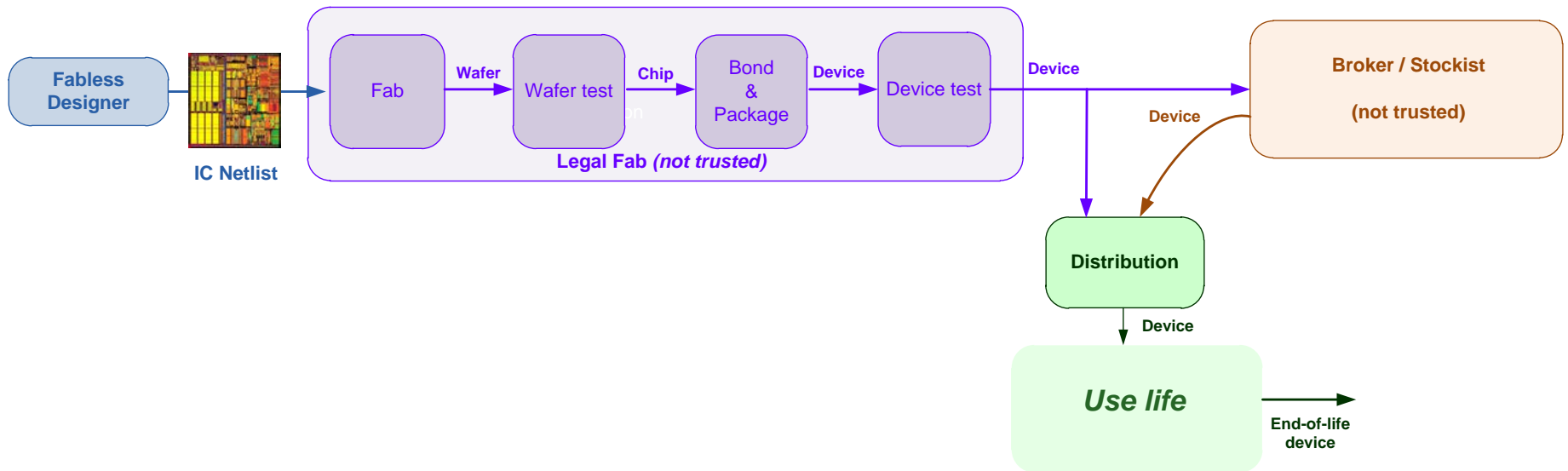
Rapport Saunier, 2008

- Characteristics of counterfeiting targets
 - High add-value products
 - Rapid functional obsolescence
 - Long design time
 - Cheap ways to design counterfeiting
 - Limited risks to the counterfeiter

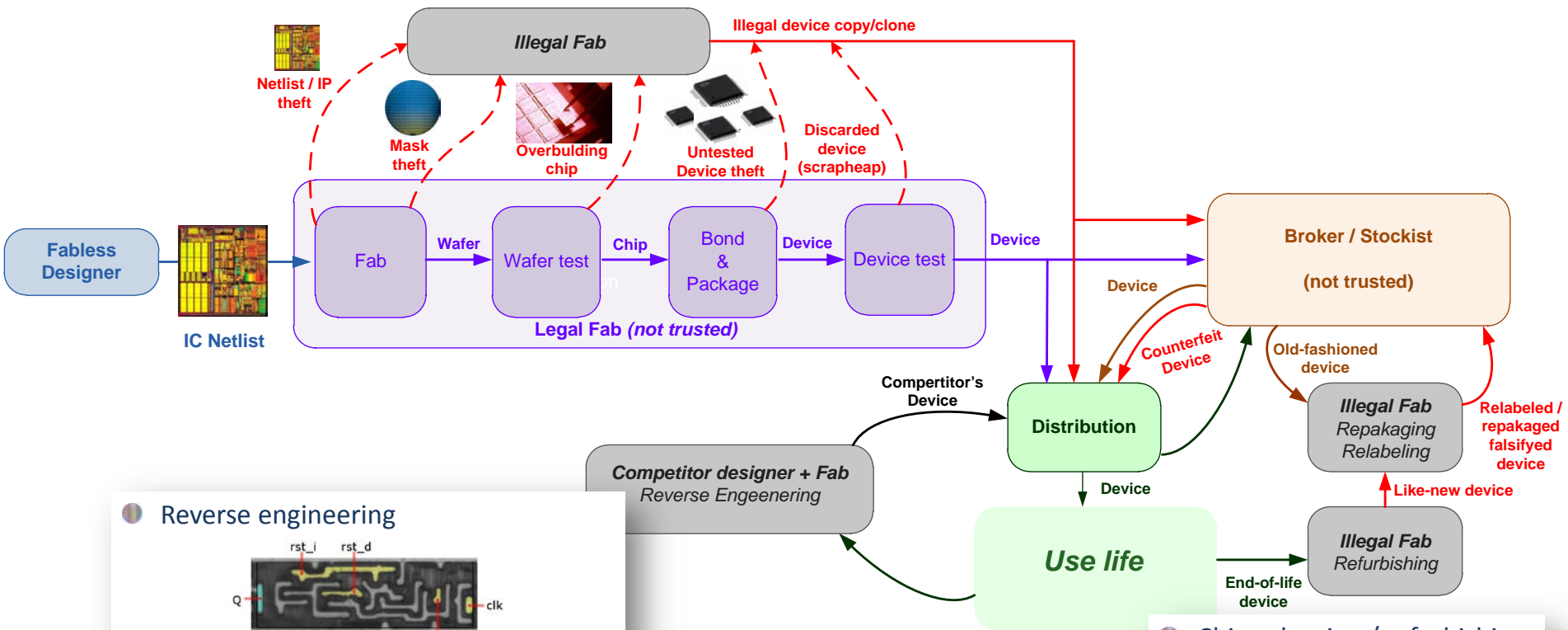


F. Koushanfar 2011

Threat model during manufacturing, supply chain and use life



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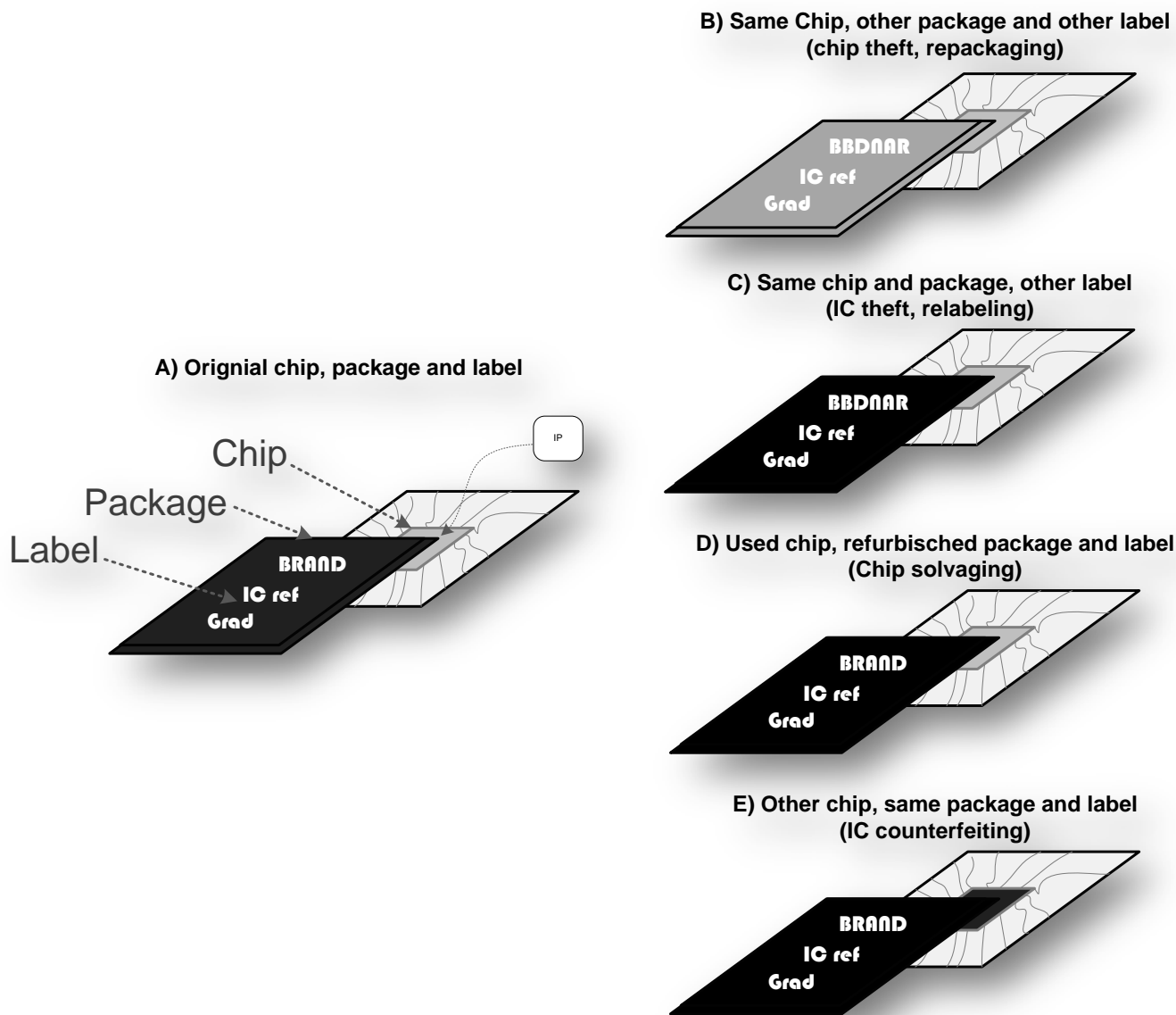


Reverse engineering

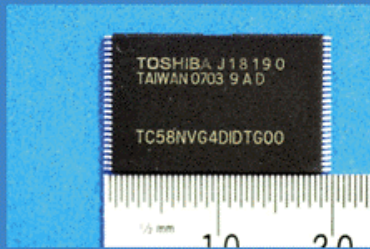
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Chip salvaging / refurbishing

Definition



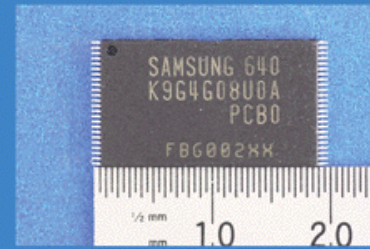
Example of counterfeiting flash memory



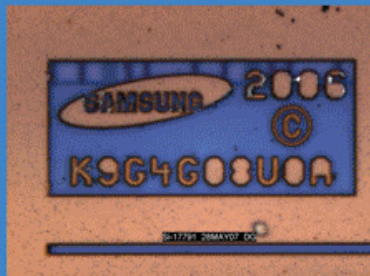
Counterfeit Toshiba Part
Package Marking
TC58NVG4D1DTG00



Toshiba 56nm 16Gb MLC NAND
Flash Part Package Marking
TC58NVG4D1DTG00



Samsung 65nm 4Gb MLC NAND
Flash Part Package Marking
K9G4G08U0A



Counterfeit Toshiba Part
Die Markings



Toshiba 56nm 16Gb MLC NAND
Flash Part Die Markings



Samsung 65nm 4Gb MLC NAND
Flash Die Markings

One counterfeit device (left) had Toshiba markings but a Samsung die inside. You can see the actual Toshiba device markings on the second device. The Samsung die can be seen in the third image.

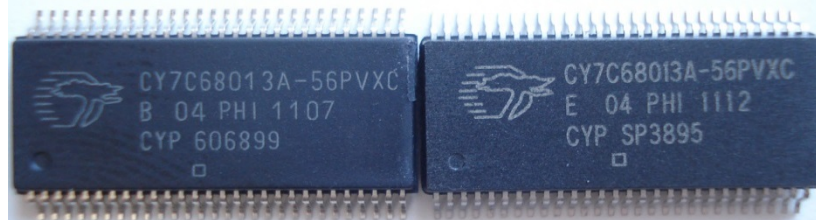
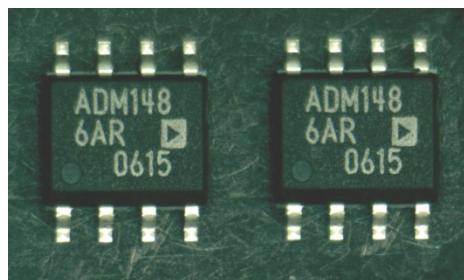
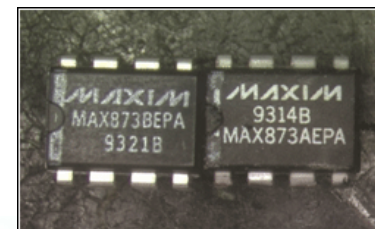
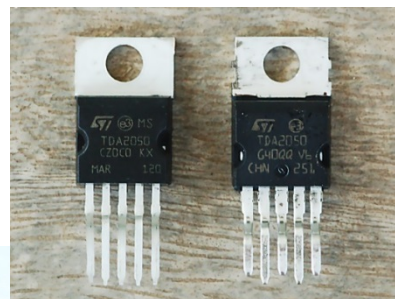
Source : EE Times, August 2007

More examples

Real

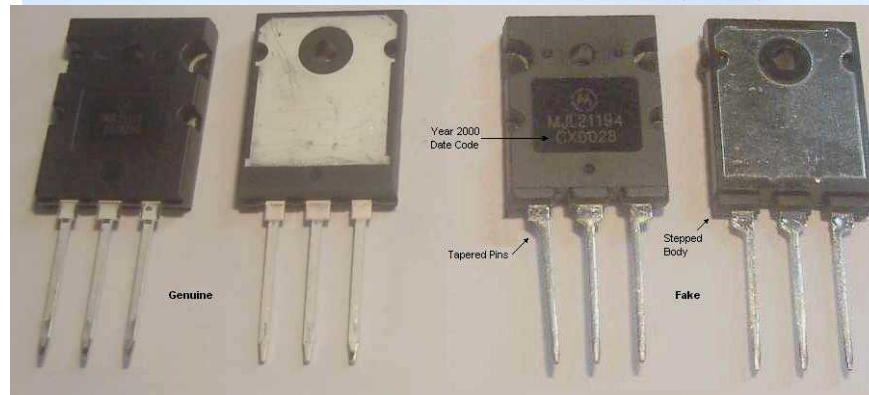
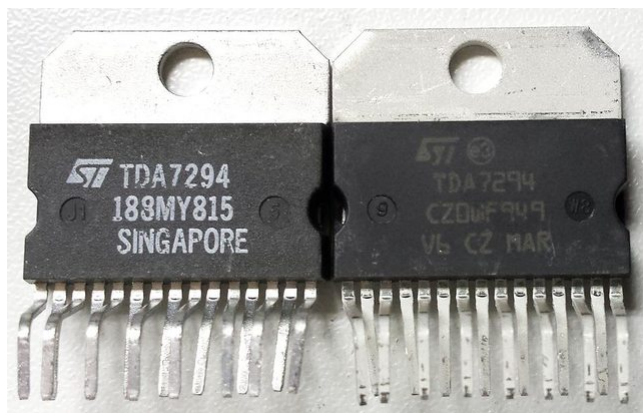


Fake



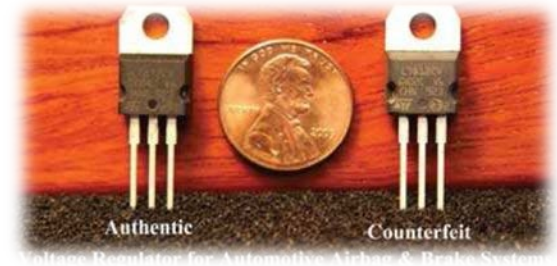
Legitimate (sourced in US via Mouser)

Counterfeit - reclaimed and re-labeled. (sourced in Asia)



Counterfeiting in figures

- In 2008 , the EU's external border control secured 178 million of counterfeit items
 - Watch, leather goods, article of luxury, clothing, pharmaceuticals, tobacco, electronics products
- Estimation of counterfeiting of the word semiconductor market is between 7% and 10% [1]
 - Financial loss of 23,5 billion \$ in 2015 for the word market
- From 2007 to 2010, the number of seizures of electronic devices counterfeiting of the US customs was 5.6 million [2]
 - Numerous counterfeiting of military-grade device and aerospace device [3,4]



[1] M. Pecht, S. Tiku. Bogus! Electronic manufacturing and consumers confront a rising tide of counterfeit electronics. IEEE Spectrum, May 2006

[2] AGMA, Alliance for Gray Markets and Counterfeit Adatement, <http://www.agmaglobal.org>

[3] S. Maynard. Trusted Foundry – Be Safe. Be Sure. Be Trusted Trusted Manufacturing of Integrated Circuits for the Department of Defenses. NDIA Manufacturing Division Meeting, October 2010
www.trustedfoundryprogram.or

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Amazing stories

● Fake NEC compagny

- 2006 [1,2]
- 50 counterfeit products (NEC or not)
 - Home entertainment systems, MP3 players, batteries, microphones, DVD players, computer peripheries ...



● VisonTech (USA)

- From 2006 to 2010, VisonTech sell more than 60 000 counterfeit integrated circuits [3]
- VisonTech customers: US Navy, Raytheon Missile System ...

Advanced Micro Devices	\$34,900.00
Altera	\$7,611.00
Analog Devices	\$75,580.66
Cypress Semiconductor	\$33,446.00
Freescale	\$40,021.00
Infineon Technologies	\$10,036.00
Intel	\$100,889.50
Intersil	\$1,857.30
Linear Technology	\$32,018.75
Maxim	\$1,596.34
Mitel	\$2,645.93
National Semiconductor	\$5,943.80
NEC	\$24,842.07
Peregrine Semiconductor	\$2,640.00
Philips Electronics	\$1,639.50
Renesas	\$2,400.00
Samsung Electronics America	\$77,165.00
STMicroelectronics	\$18,619.21
Texas Instruments	\$92,899.58
Toshiba	\$2,424.00
Xilinx	\$22,235.76
Total	\$591,411.40

[1] Next Step for Counterfeiters: Faking the Whole Compagny, New York Times, May 2006

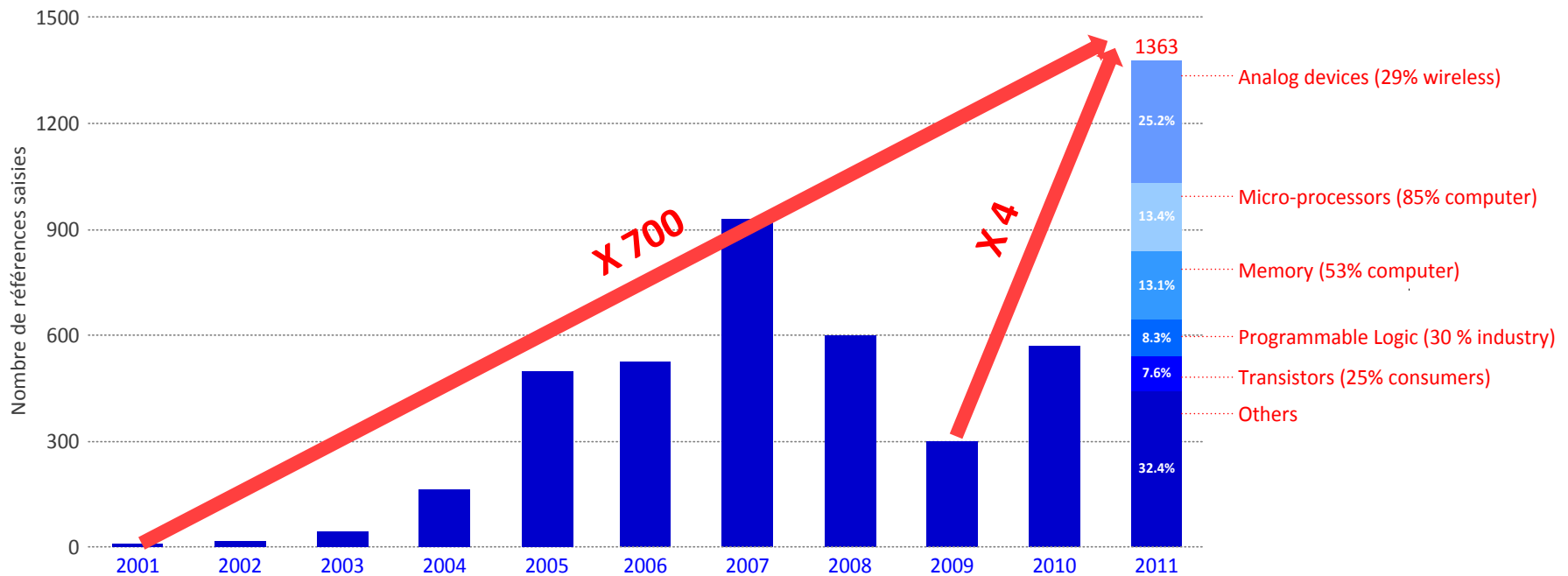
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[3] <http://eetimes.com/electronics-news/4229964/Chip-counterfeiting-case-exposes-defense-supply-chain-flaw>

The rise of electronic device counterfeitings

- Target and evolution
 - From US statistical studies [1-2]

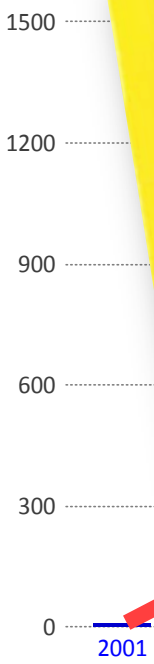


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Nombre de références saisies



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Consequences of electronic products counterfeiting

- Economic damage
 - For legal provider: money losses
 - For purchaser: diagnostic/repairs
 - Ex: 2,7 million of US \$ for US Navy missile systems
- Social damage
 - Employment losses
- Customer dissatisfaction
- Reliability decrease
- Security not guarantee
 - Potential malware insertion (hardware trojan)
- Environmental pollution
 - Non-compliance with legal standards



CURRENT INDUSTRIAL SOLUTIONS 1/2

Counterfeiting physical detection

Counterfeiting physical detection

- Industrial means of detection
 - Marking permanency testing, visual inspection



Before



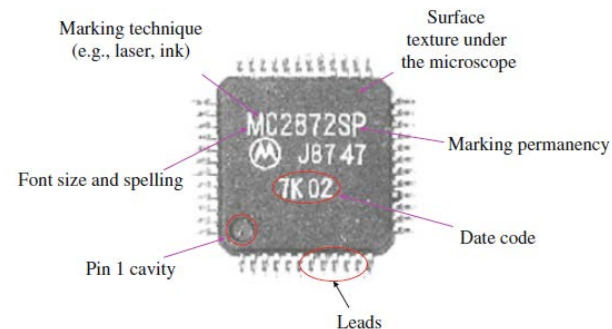
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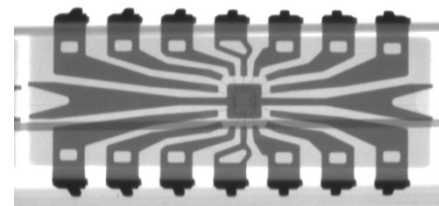
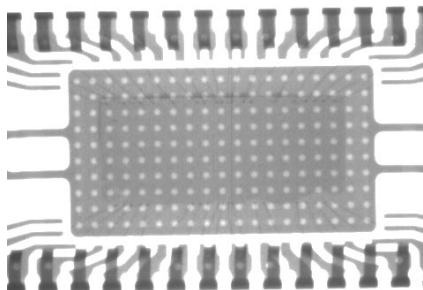
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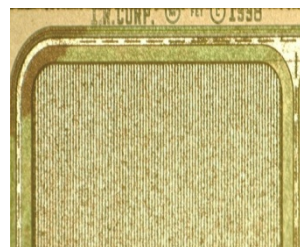
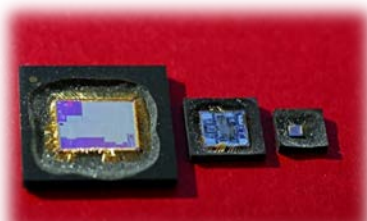
Fake Motorola



- X-ray inspection

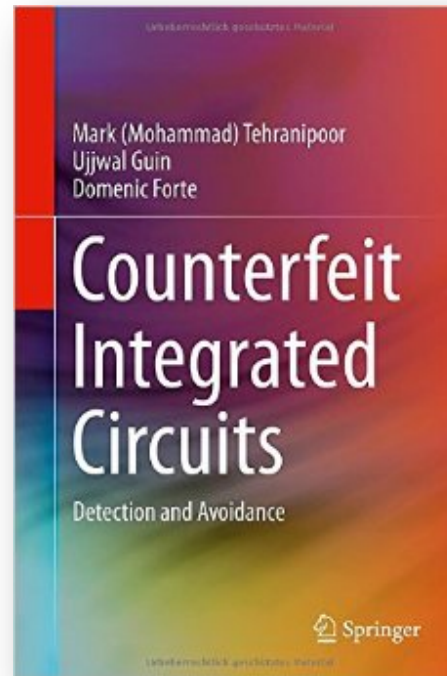


- Unpackaging and high resolution optical inspection (reverse-engineering)

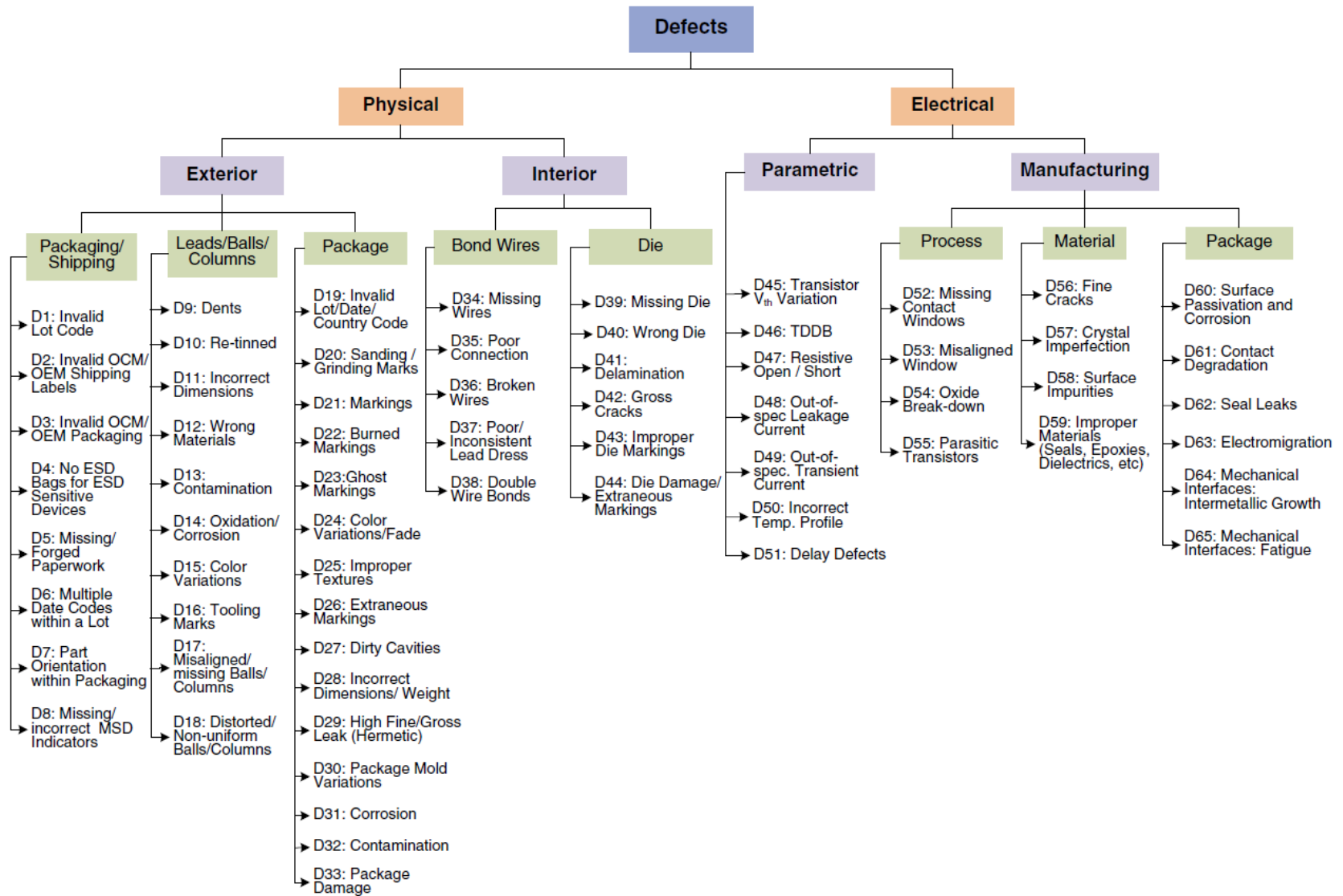


More information on counterfeit parts detection [TGF2015]

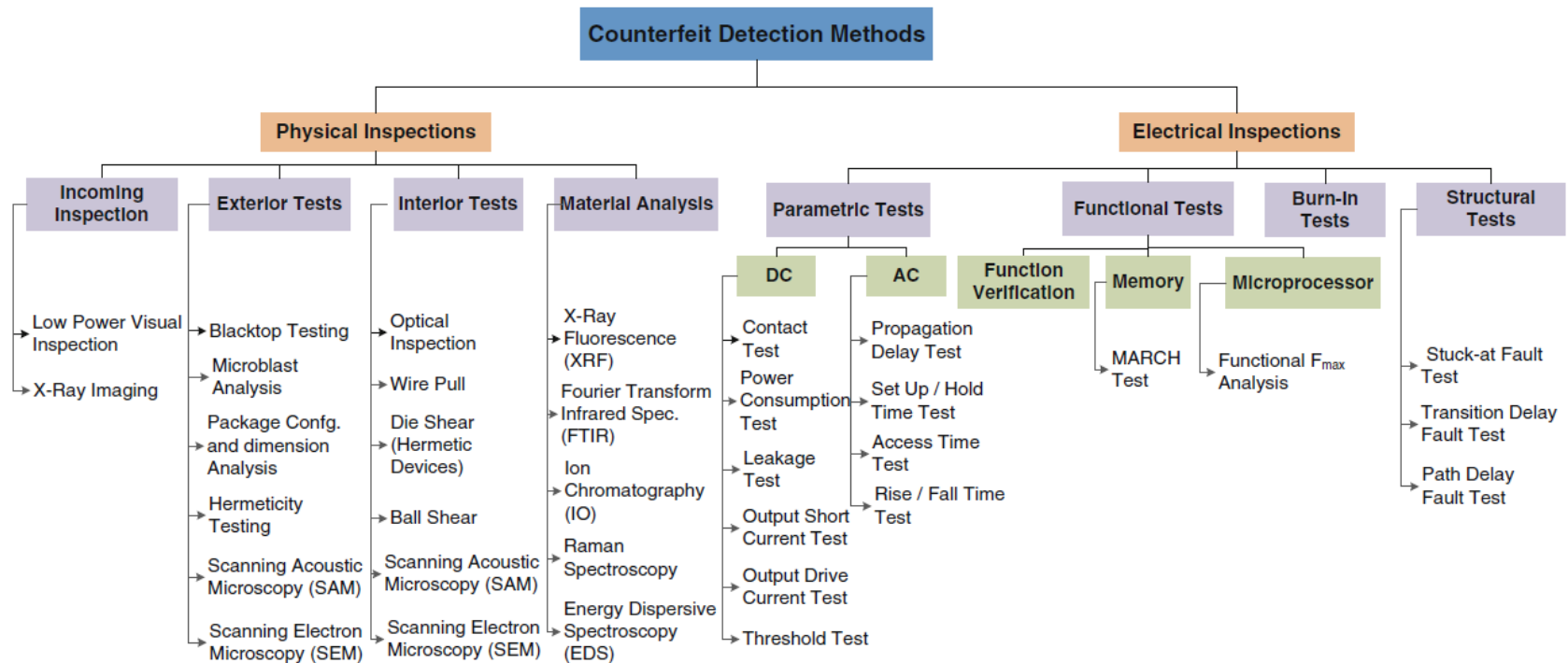
- Springer, 2015 – University of Connecticut, USA



Taxonomy of defects in counterfeit components [TGF2015]



Taxonomy of counterfeit detection methods [TGF2015]

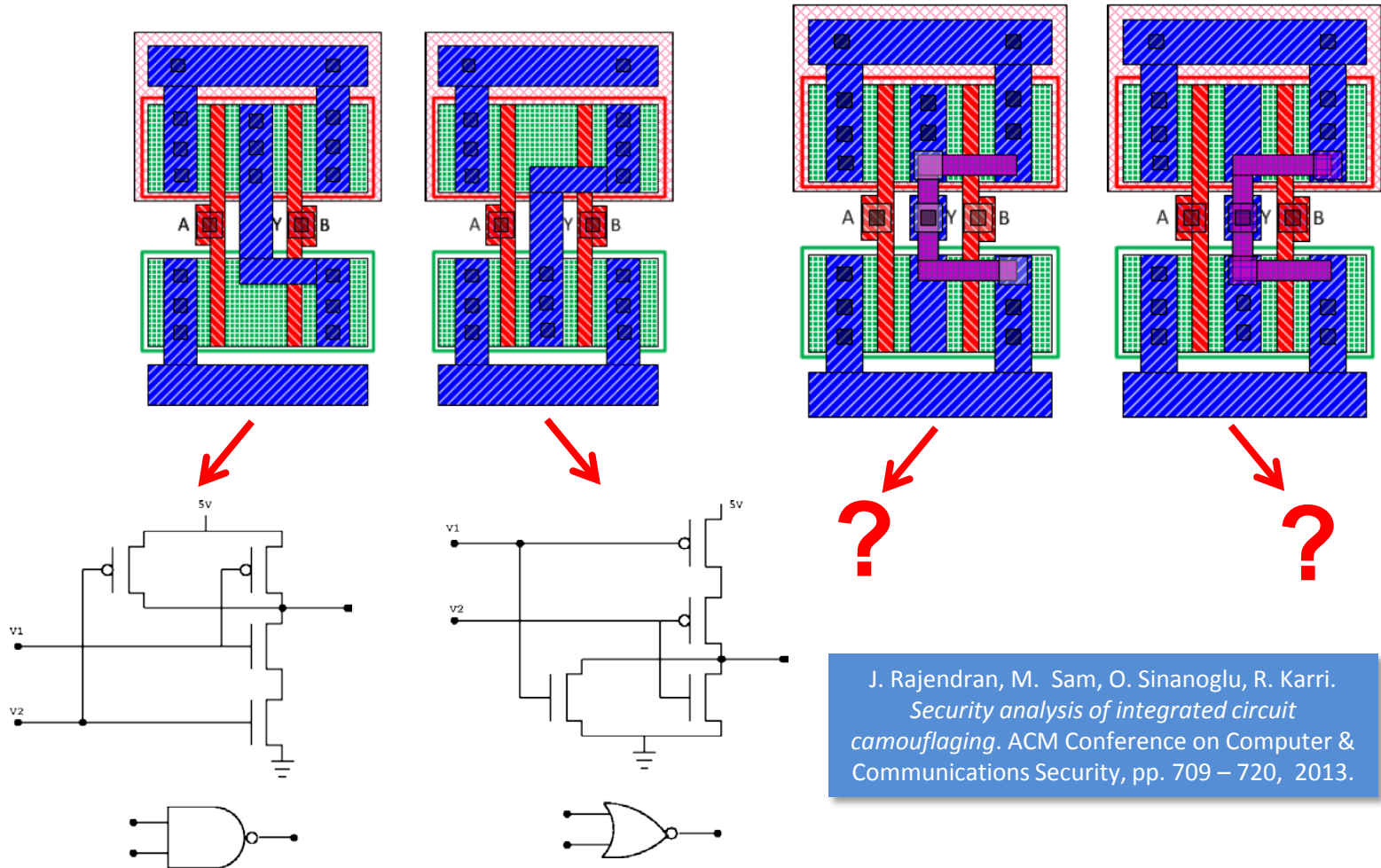


CURRENT INDUSTRIAL SOLUTIONS 2/2

Protection against the reverse engineering

Circuit Camouflaging 1/2

- Definition: *set of means to physically hide details of a system from an optical inspection (which could use image processing techniques) without any modification of the system behavior*



Circuit Camouflaging 2/2

- Technology from SypherMedia International
<http://www.smi.tv/solutions.htm>

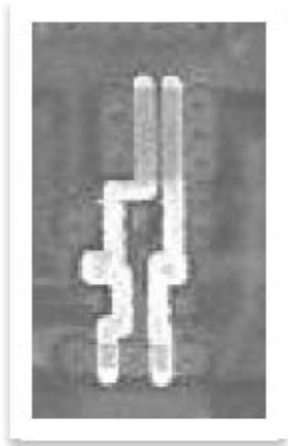


Figure 1: Conventional
2 input NOR Gate

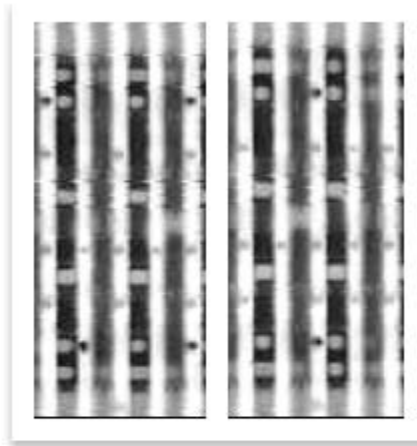


Figure 2: SML 2-input
NAND and NOR Gates

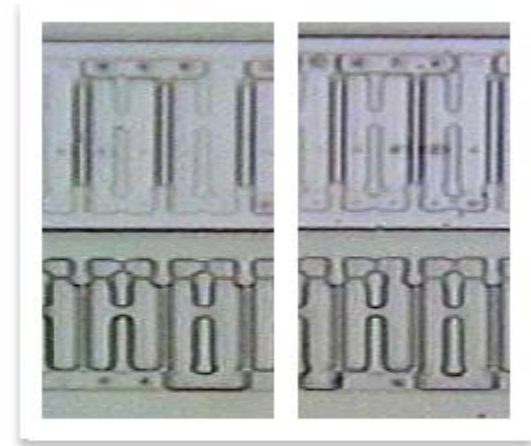


Figure 3: SML 2-input NAND and
NOR Gates without Metal

SypherMedia Library – Circuit Camouflage
Technology. SMI Data Sheet, 2012.

HARDWARE SOLUTION : SALWARE

what ?

Salutary hardware to design trusted IC

● SALWARE definition

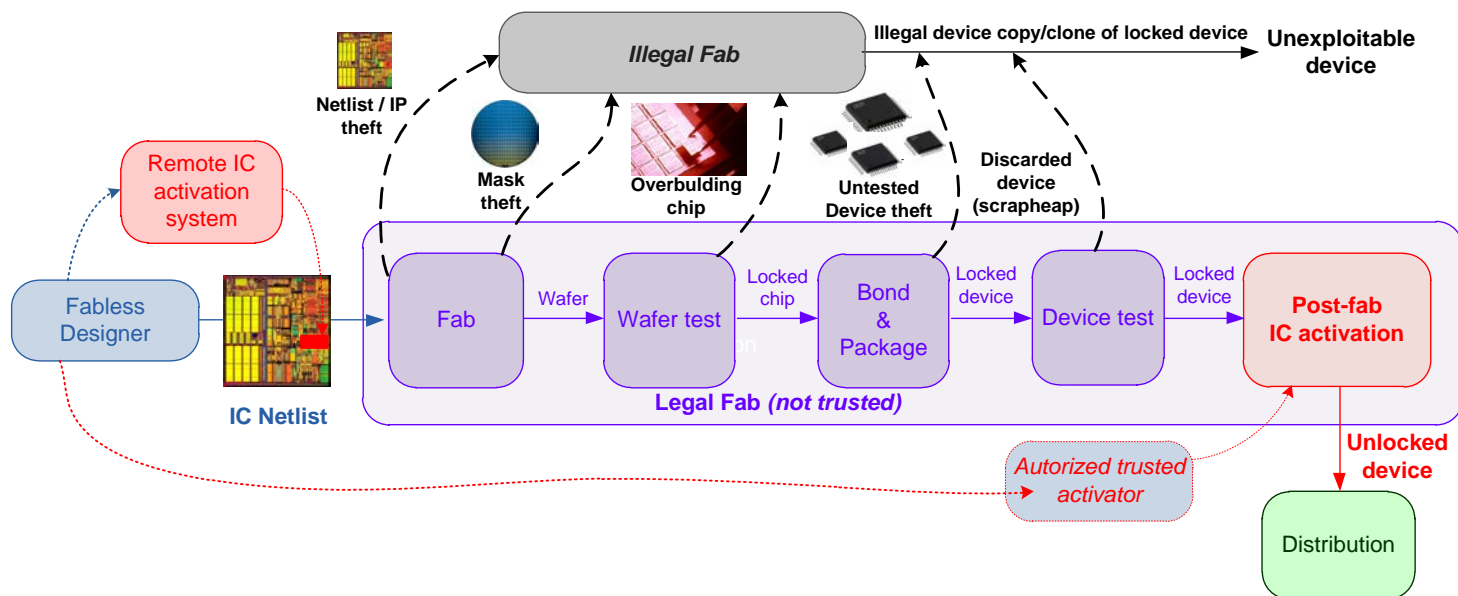
Salutary hardware (SALWARE) is a (small piece of) hardware system, hardly detectable (from the attacker point of view), hardly circumvented (from the attacker point of view), inserted in an integrated circuit or an IP, used to provide intellectual property information and/or to remotely activate the integrated circuit or IP after manufacture and/or during use.

ACTIVE SALWARE

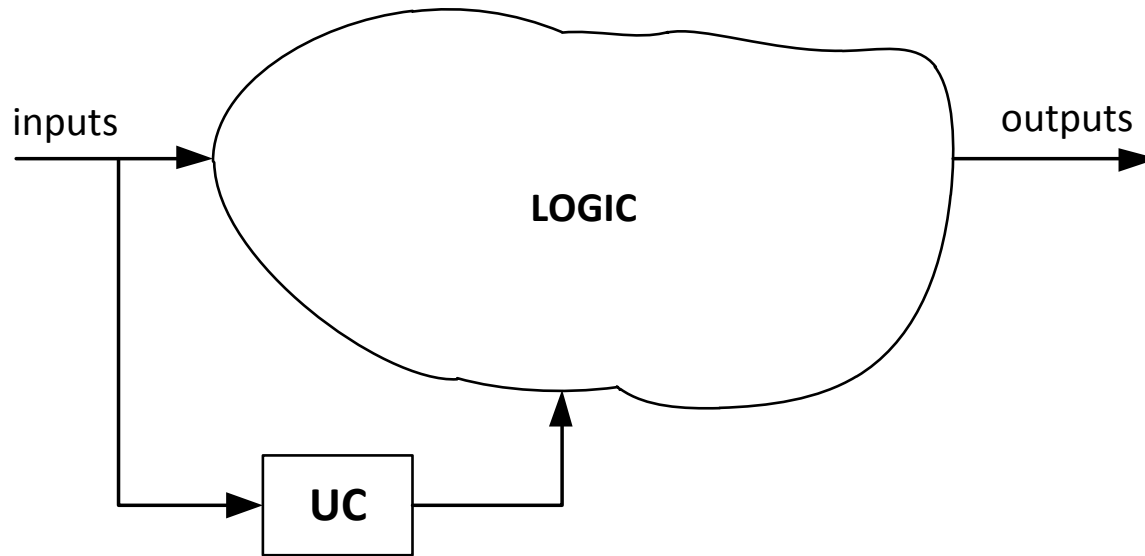
protection

IC Activation (locking/unlocking)

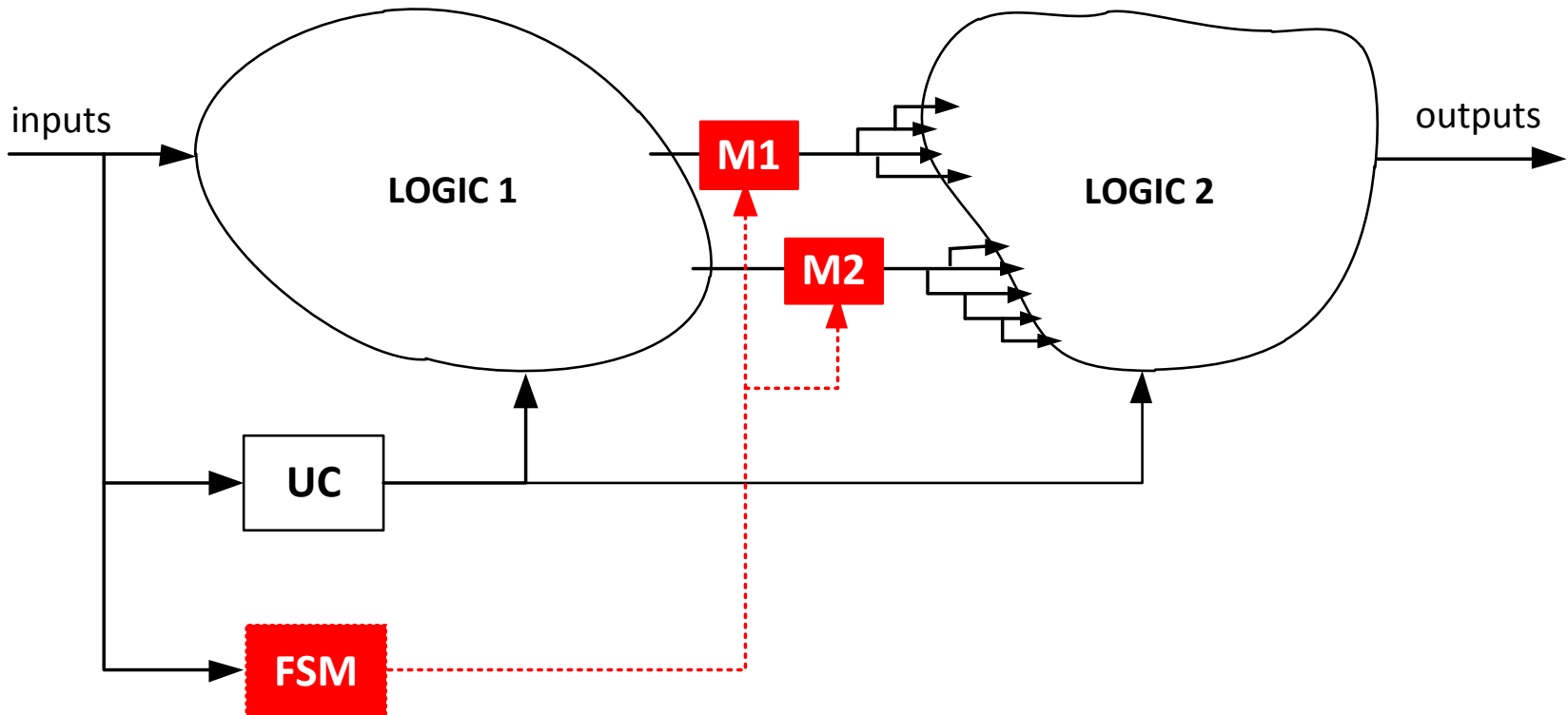
- (remote) activation after manufacturing (during life?)
 - Stolen devices or clones are not exploitable
 - Need cryptographic protocol to secure the activation scheme
 - Many solutions
 - Logic “encryption”, FSM “obfuscation”
 - Data-path “encryption” (BUS, NoC)
 - Antifuse-based on-chip locks
 - FPGA bitstream encryption



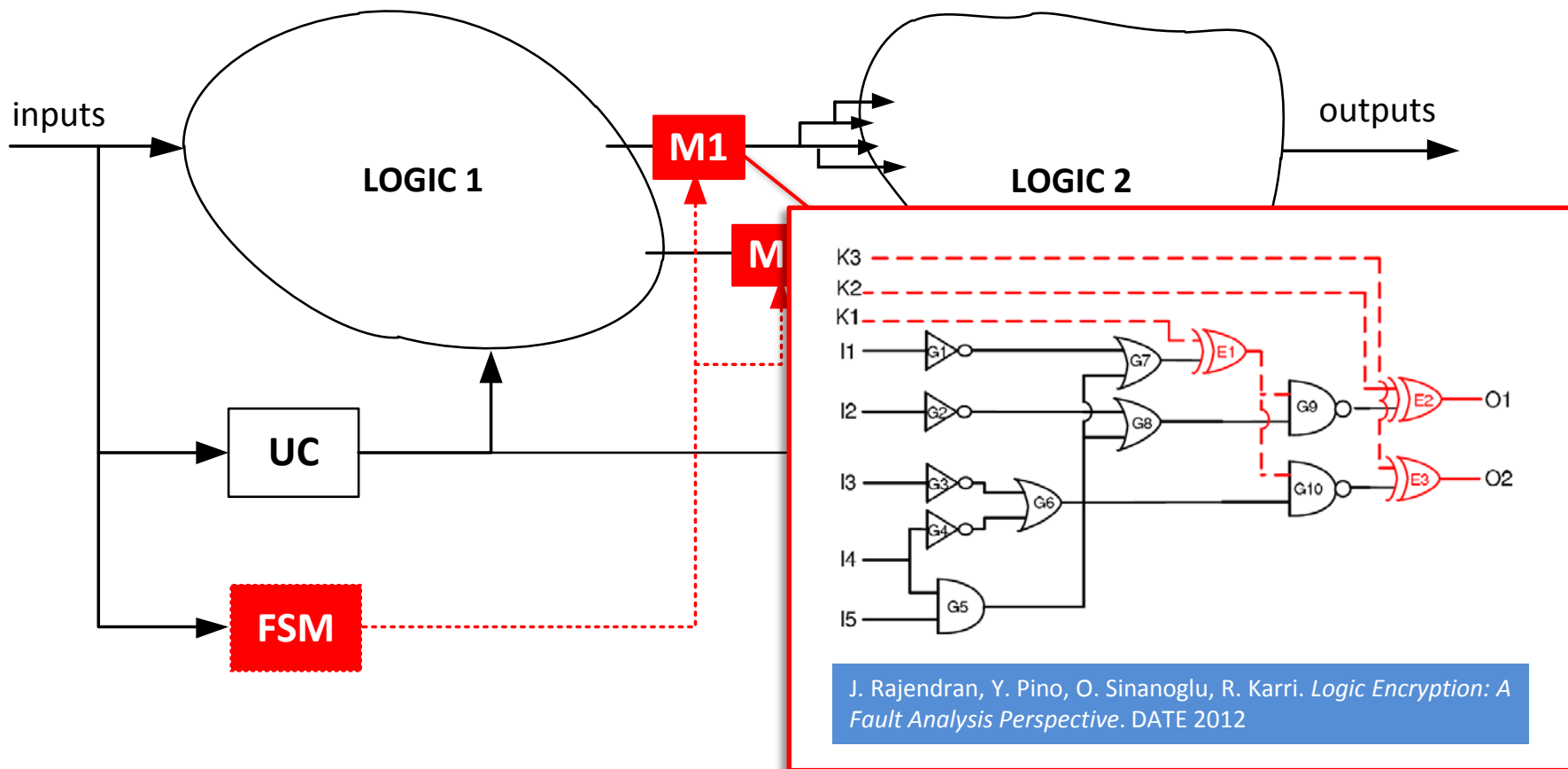
Logic encryption



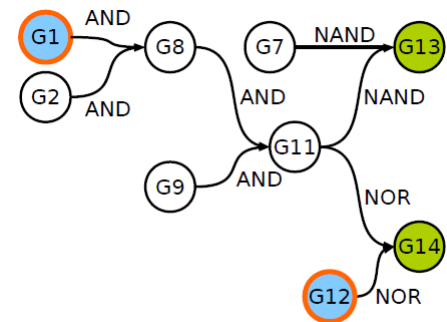
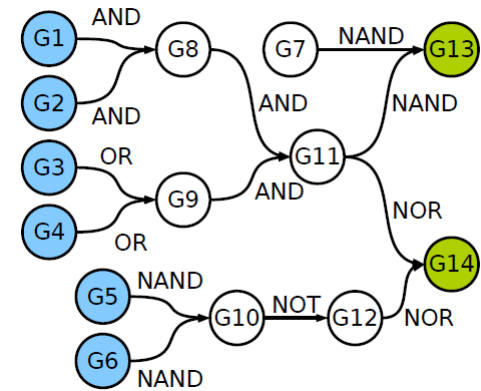
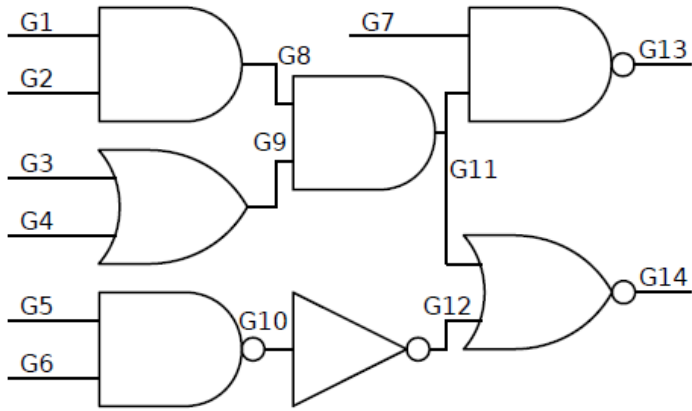
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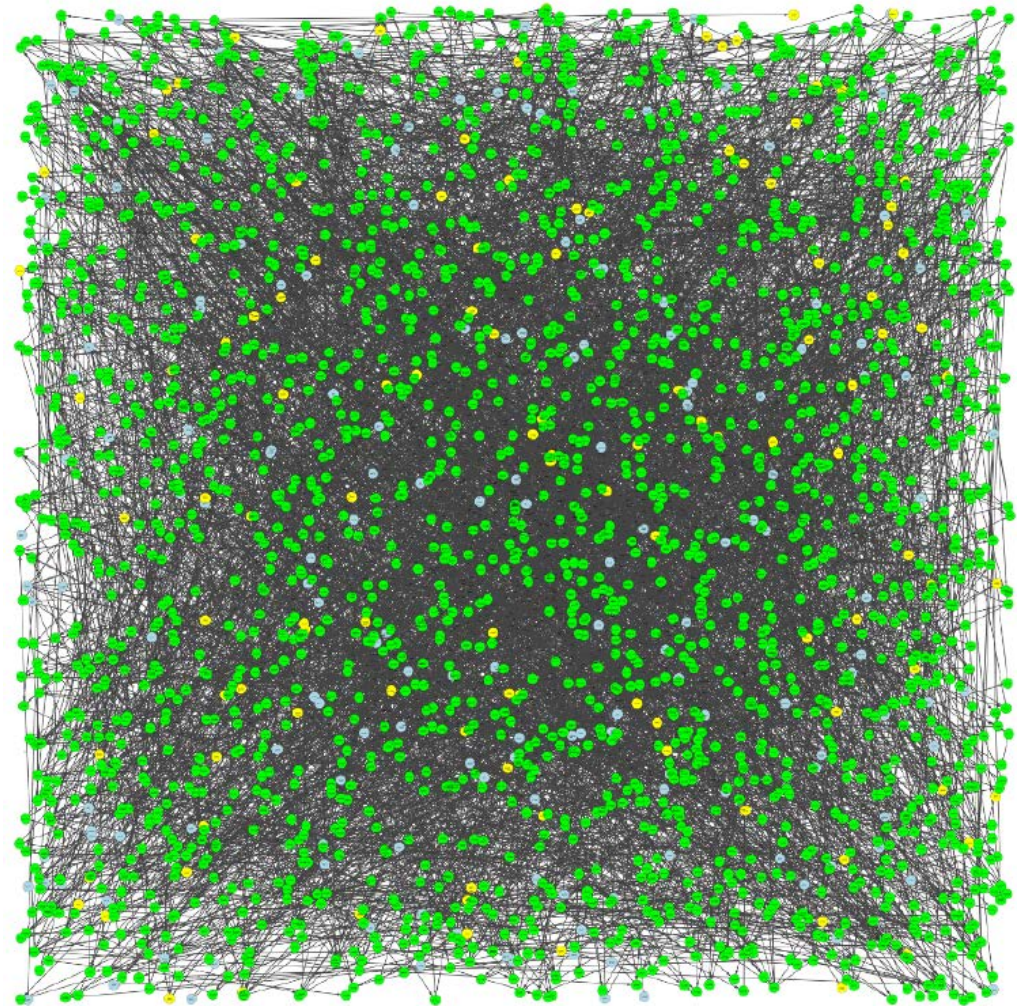
Logic locking



Graphe analysis

● Benchmark ISCAS'85

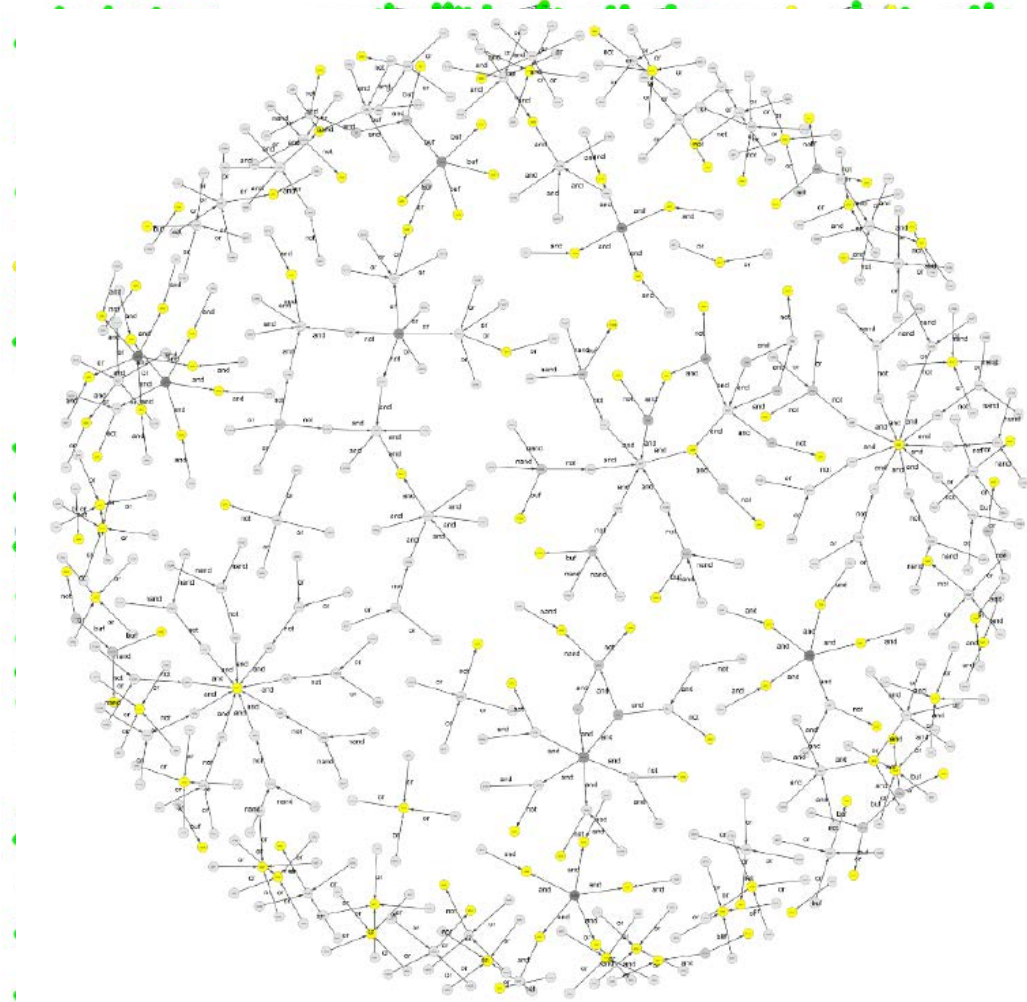
- 9-bit ALU
- 2362 nodes
- 178 inputs
- 123 outputs



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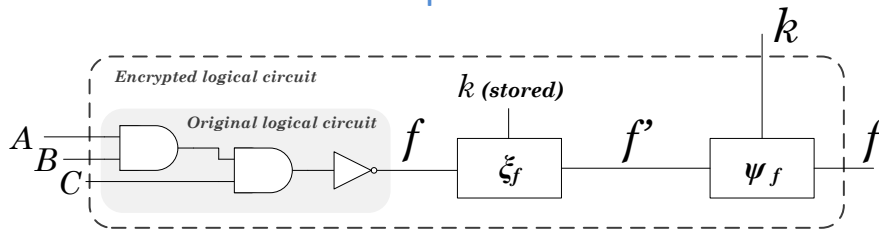
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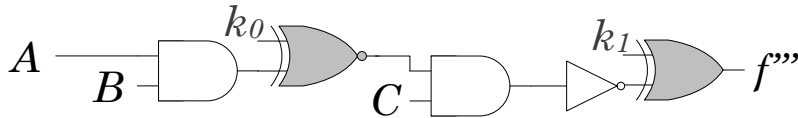
A formal foundation for logic protection schemes

Logic encryption

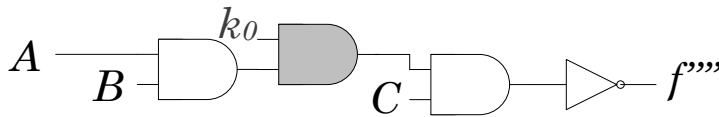
- Formally : encryption of the Boolean function output



Logic masking

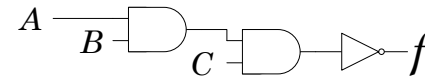


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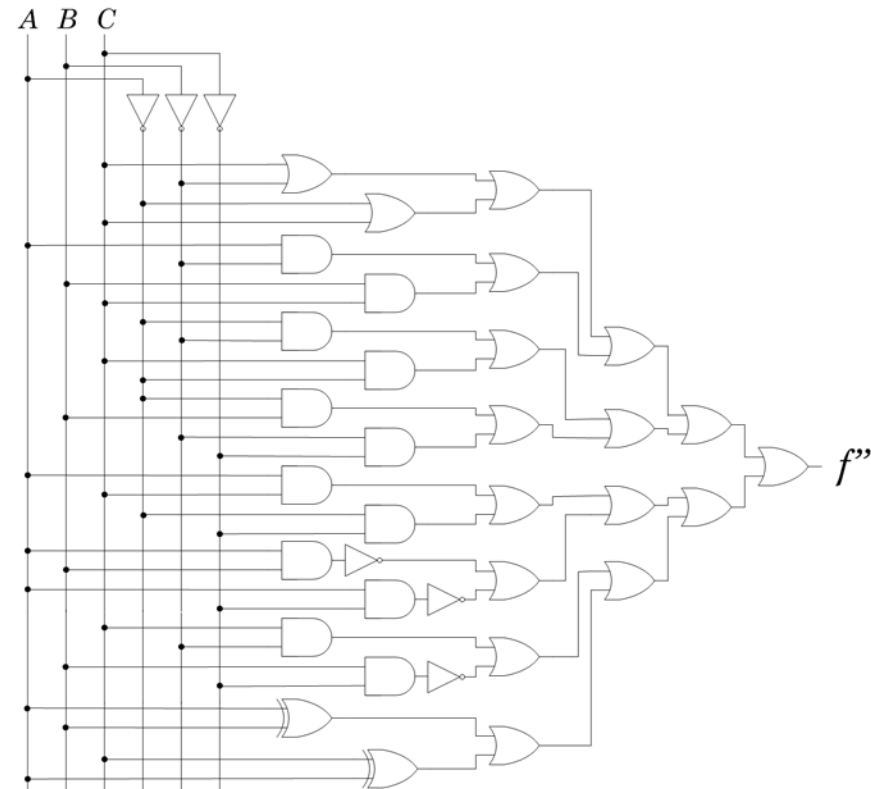


Logic obfuscation

- Develop and obscure



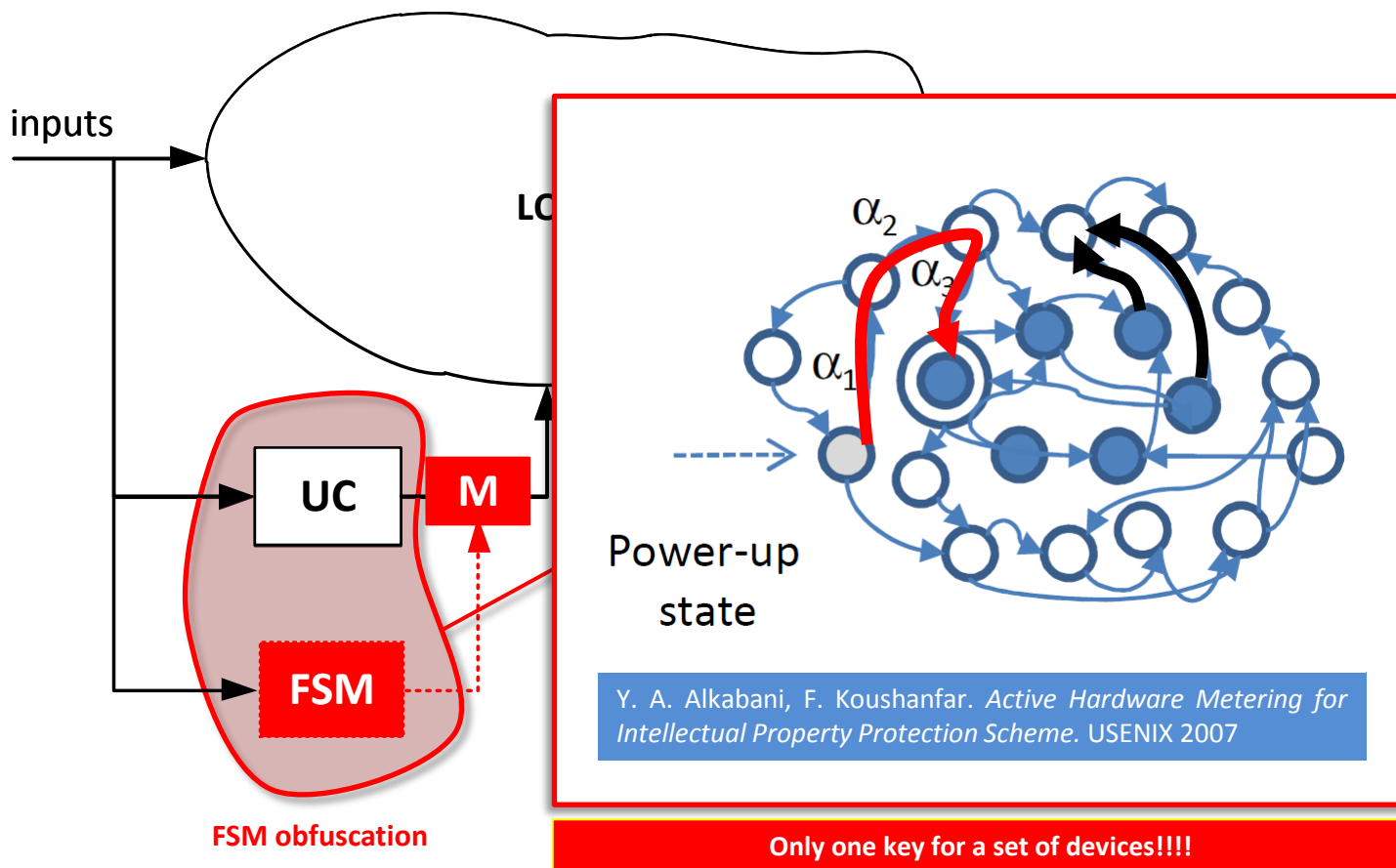
(a) Original Boolean function implementation



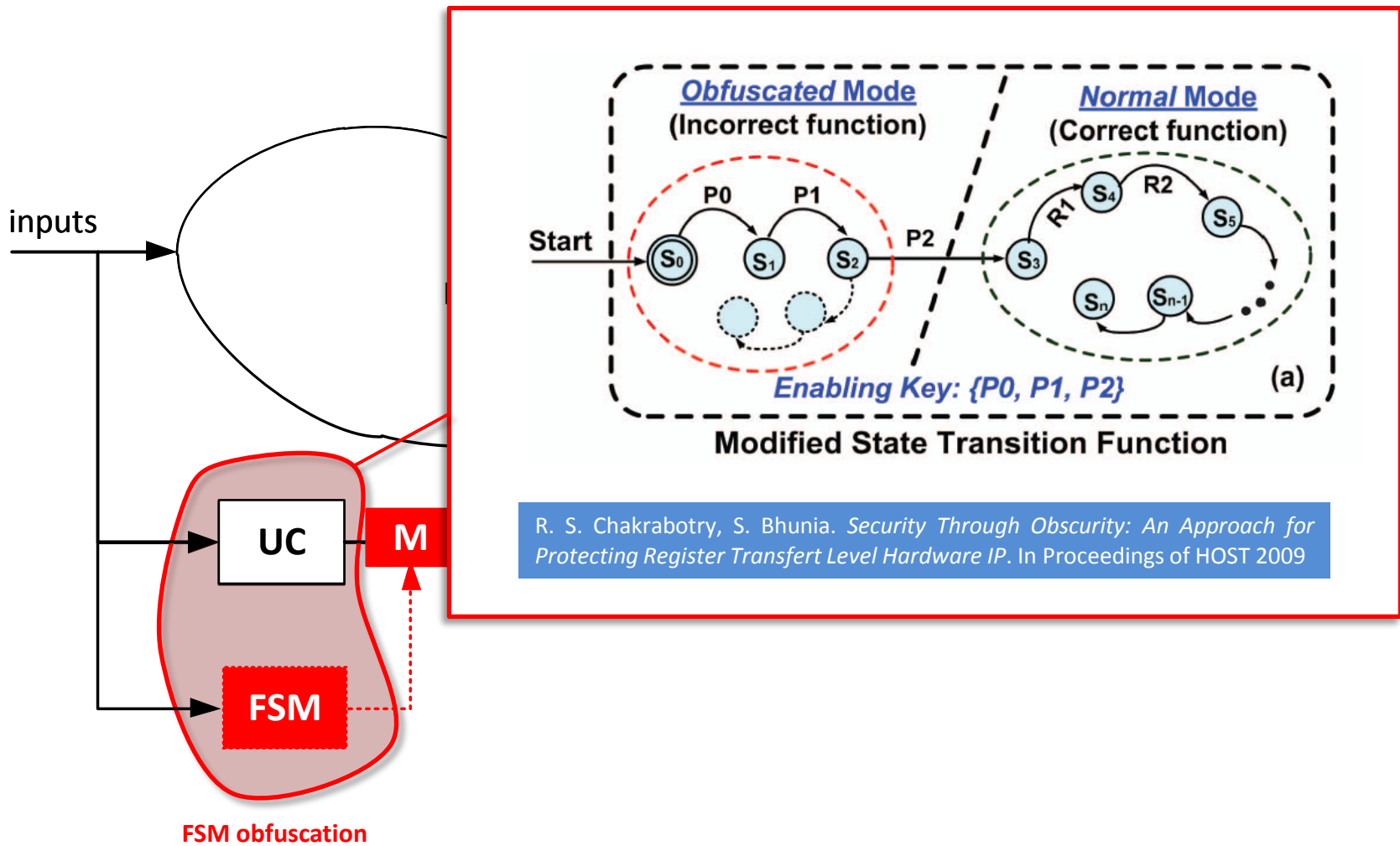
(c) Boolean function implementation after a second step of logical obfuscation

B. Colombier, L. Bossuet, D. Hely. *From Secured Logic to IP Protection*. Microprocessors and Microsystems, Embedded Hardware Design, Elsevier, to be published soon.

FSM obfuscation



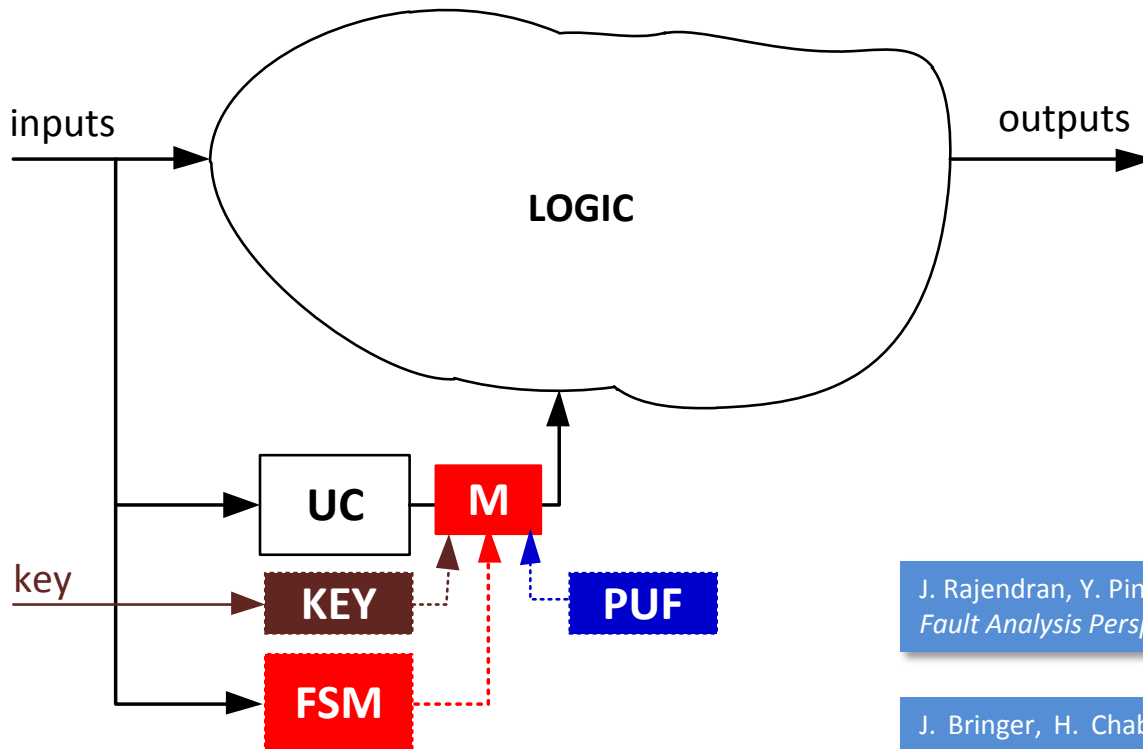
FSM obfuscation



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FSM obfuscation – output register encryption

- Dedicated Key per device
- Needs an device identification (PUF)



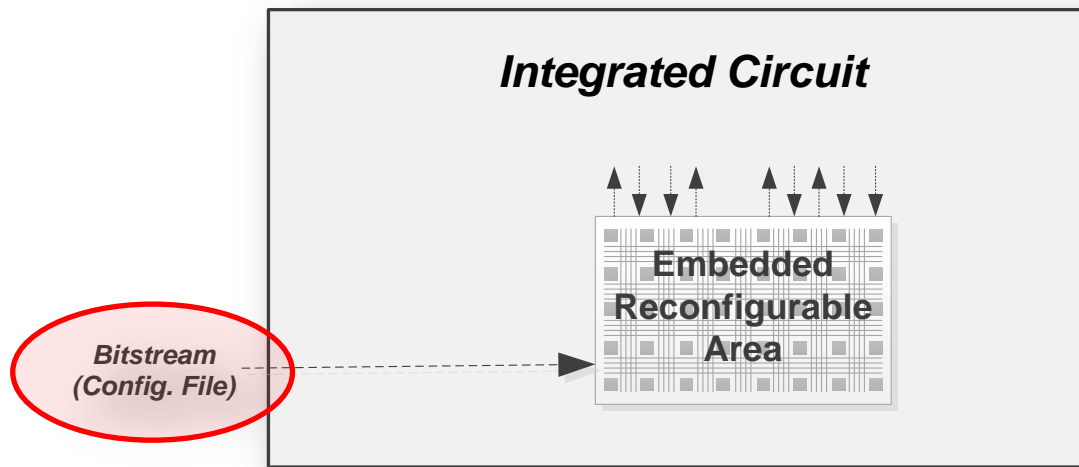
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J. Bringer, H. Chabanne, T. Icart. *On Physical Obfuscation of cryptographic Algorithms*. INDOCRYPT 2009

Y. Alkabani, F. Koushanfar, M. Potkonjak. *Remote Activation of Ics for Piracy Prevention and Digital Right Managment*. ICCAD 2007

Design obfuscation

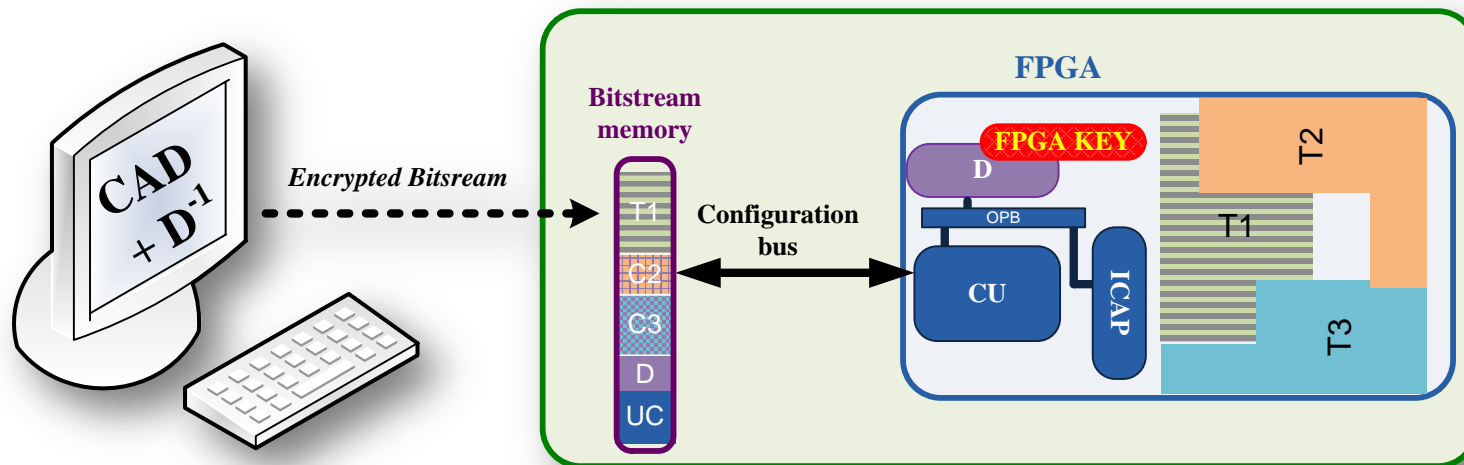
- Obfuscation by using reconfigurable area
 - Countermeasure to reverse-engineering
 - “High-information” parts have to be included in the reconfigurable area
 - Control Unit
 - Processor instruction decoder
 - **Need encryption of the bitstream**
 - Anti-cloning
 - One bitstream (encrypted) by device (one secret key by device)



Security of FPGA bitstream (SRAM and FLASH)

● Encryption of the FPGA bitstream

- Threats: probing / cloning / reverse-engineering / replay /denial
- Solutions: partial and dynamic reconfiguration [1]-[2], embedded cipher with hash function [3], remote update protection [4], anti-replay [5], disposable config. [6] ...

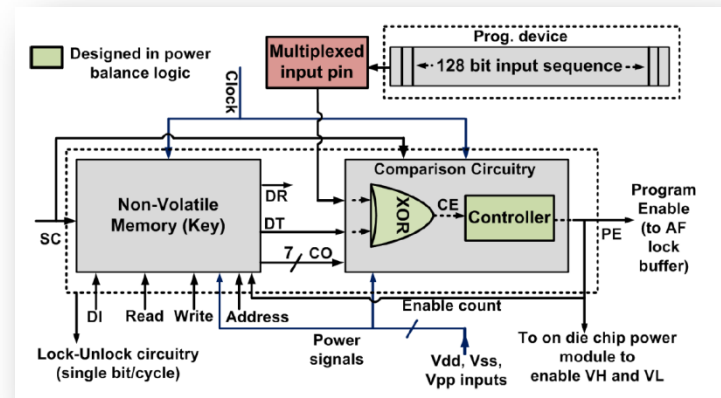
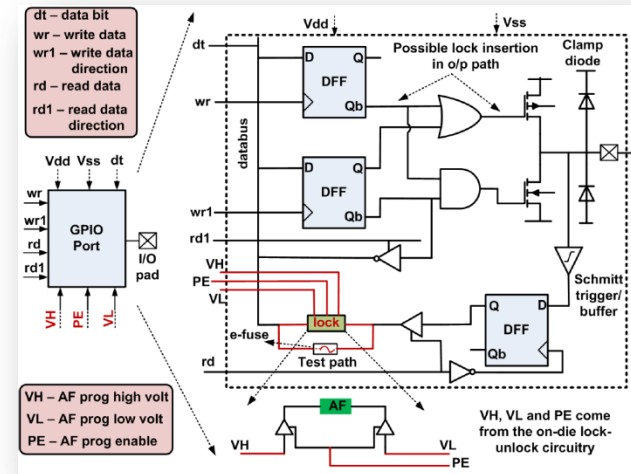


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- [4] S. Drimer and M. G. Kuhn. *A Protocol for Secure Remote Updates of FPGA Configurations*. ARC 2009.
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IOB locking

Using antifuse

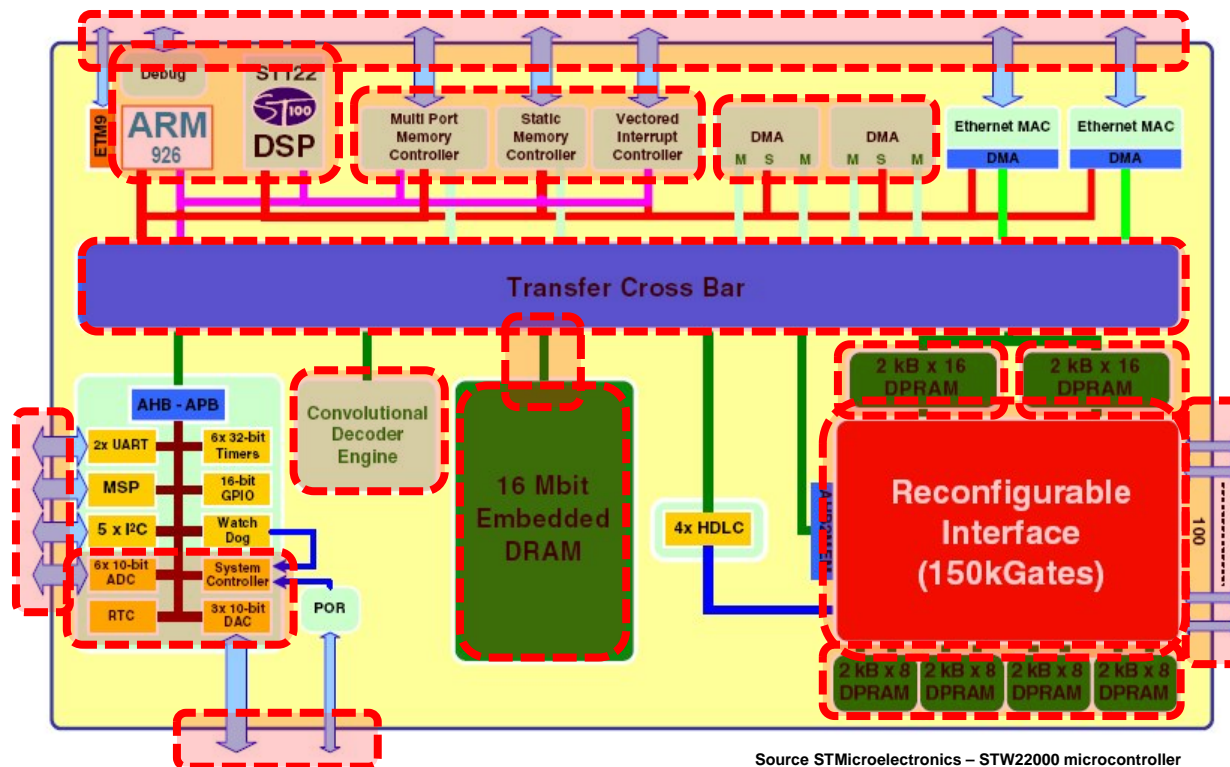
- Strong permanent lock
- e-fuse for test
- Hard to program without the key
- One key per IC family
- Dedicated to ASIC
- Need an external programmer device
- Only one final bit for the “program enable”



Z. Liu, Y. Li, R. Geiger, and D. Chen. *Active Defense against Counterfeiting Attacks through Robust Antifuse-based On-Chip-Lock*. VLSI Test Symposium 2014

Locking of a System-on-Chip

- What it is possible to lock in a SoC?
 - Control unit : FSM outputs masking/ FSM state registers masking / microprocessor obfuscation
 - Treatment unit: Logic masking/locking/obfuscation
 - Internal communication: bus encryption / Cross Bar routing masking/ NoC locking/encryption
 - Memory: DMA and bus encryption (bus @ / bus data), data encryption,
 - Configuration (eFPGA / multi-mode-IP): bitstream encryption
 - IOB: locking
 - Analog parts calibration (performance downgrading): ex. PLL, DAC, ADC ...



Source STMicroelectronics – STW2000 microcontroller

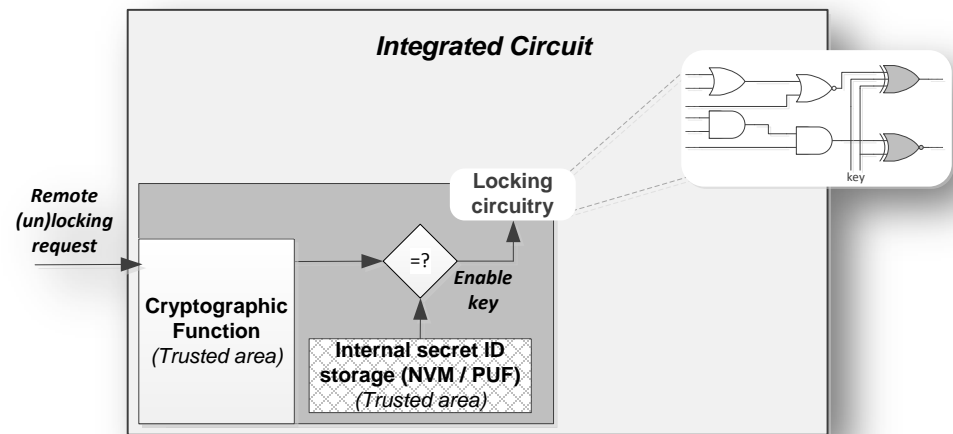
Active Salware Design

- Strong security
 - Use cryptographic functions to obtain the usual crypto services
 - Confidentially, integrity, authentication
 - Use protected hardware implementation
 - Protection against side-channel analysis and fault injection (trusted zone)
 - One activation key per device
 - Use device identification (PUF, NVM)
 - Many bits for activation

- Very low overhead
 - Locking system is rarely used
 - No system performance decrease

- Flexibility
 - Locking ↔ unlocking
 - Test available

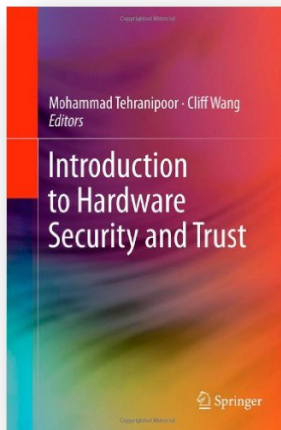
- Mutual actions
 - Different payload
 - Digital / Analog parts



More information on active salware

● Springer 2012

- M. Tehranipoor, Univ. Connecticut
- C. Wang, US Army Research Office



● Springer 2016

- C.H. Chang, Nanyang Tech. Univ.
- M. Potkonjak, UCLA



● Springer fall 2016: Foundations of Hardware IP Protection

- L. Bossuet, Univ. Lyon
- L. Torres, Univ. Montpellier

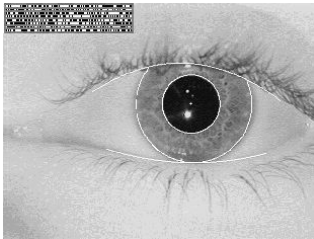
PASSIVE SALWARE

IC identification / authentication

Fingerprint / Watermark

Fingerprint

- Measurement of a physical (or behavioral) characteristics



Watermark

- Additional (hidden) information (*steganography*)



Silicon PUF (Physical Unclonable Function)



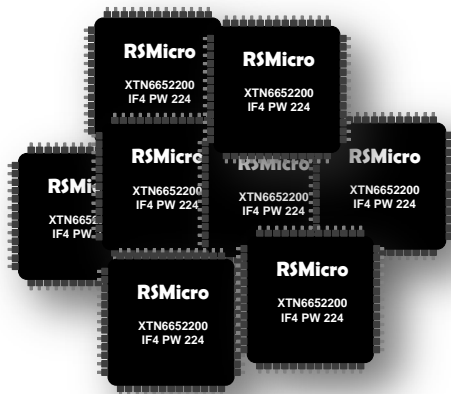
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PUF

● Identification of IC

- Set of ICs
- Challenges / responses protocol
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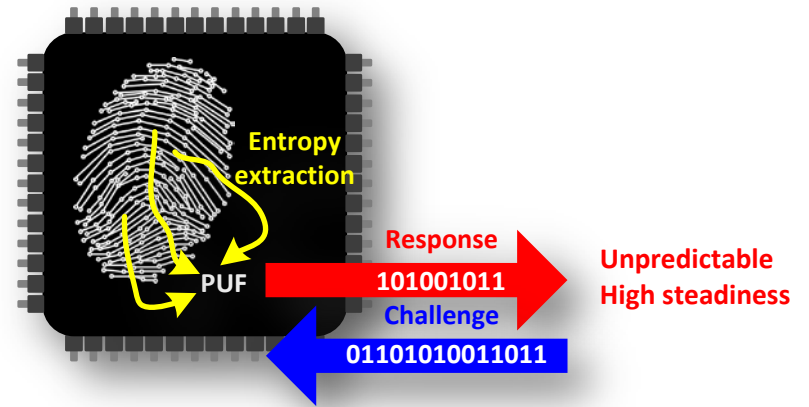


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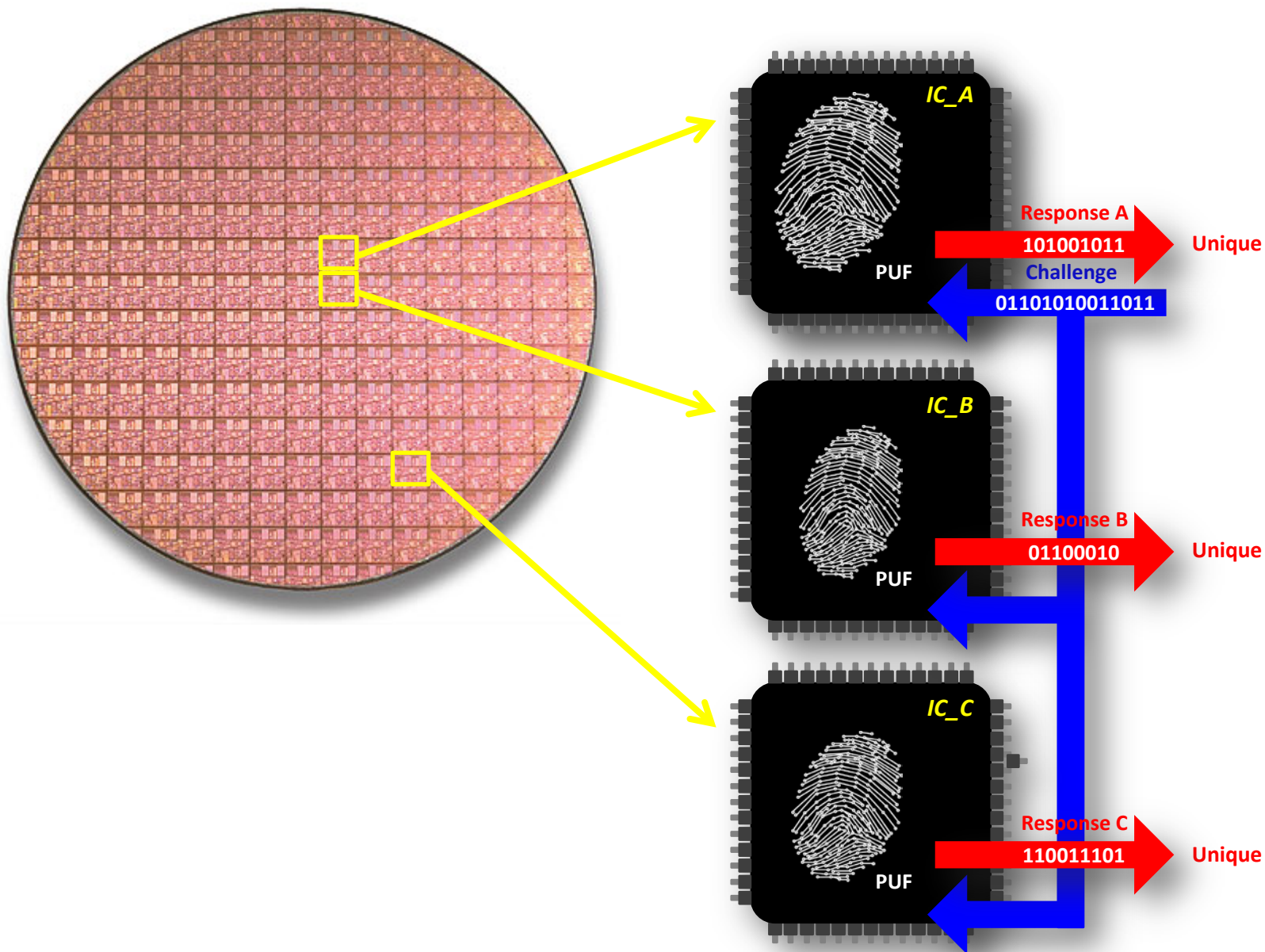
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37B1	
8992	
FE72	
E90B	
5129	
8C9D	
253A	

Fingerprint of IC – Silicon PUF



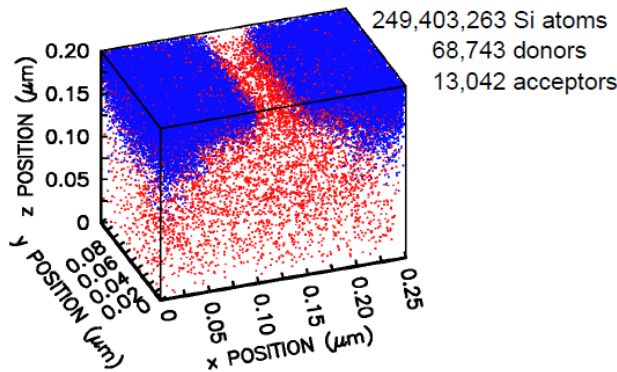
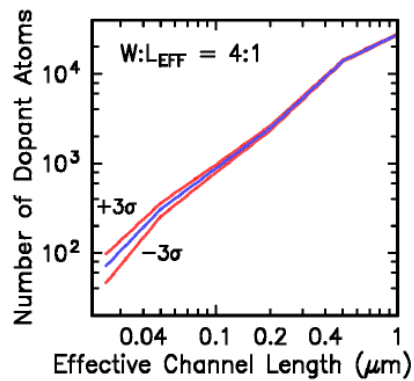
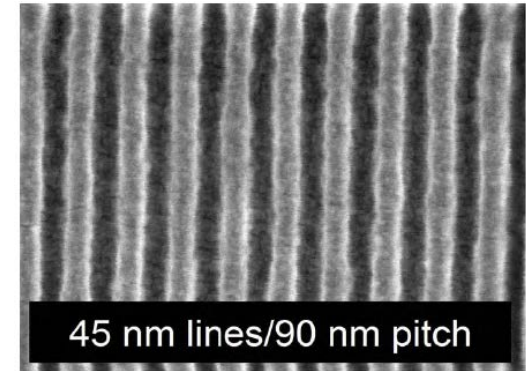
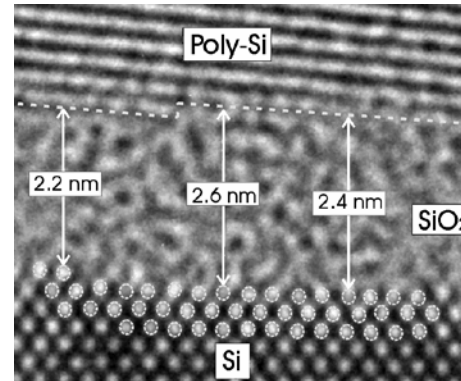
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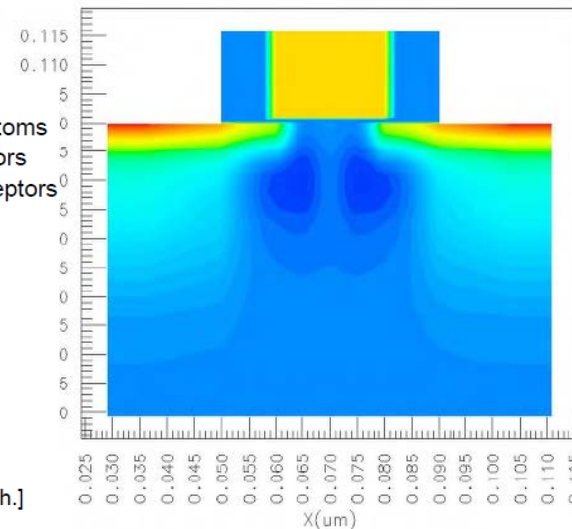
CMOS process variations

Example

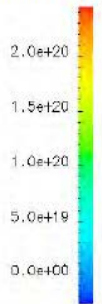
- Oxide thickness
- Metal line
- Number of dopant atoms
- Position of dopants
- Doping density



[D. J. Frank, et al., 1999 Symp. VLSI Tech.]

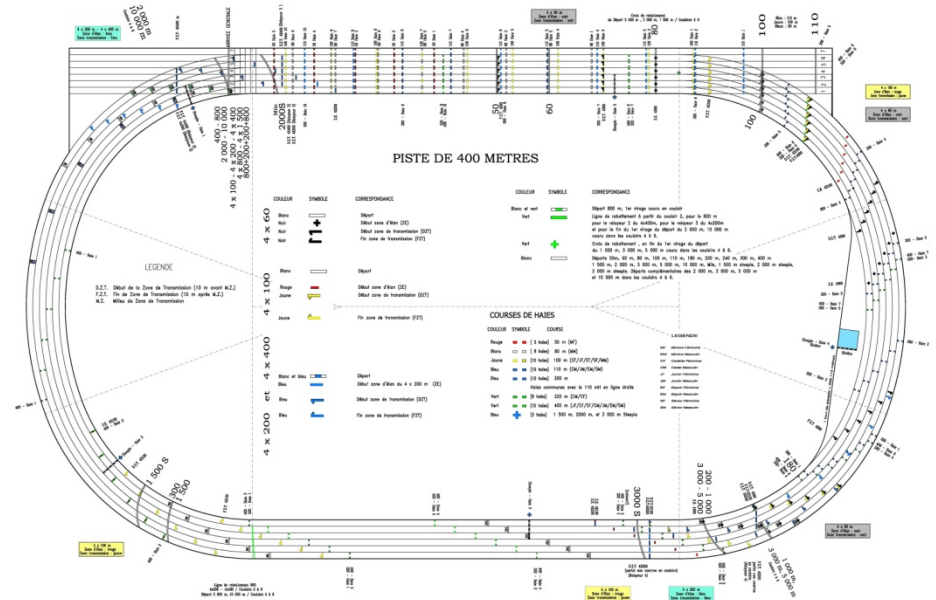


Doping Density



PUF principe: compare (theoretically) identical things !

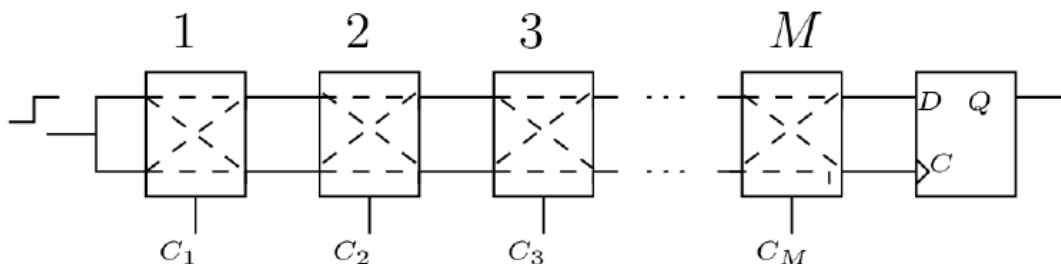
- Example of an athletic race of clones
 - All the runners are identical (same doping)
 - Theoretically, all the lines on the stadium are the same
 - Lines length / runners speed mismatch measurement



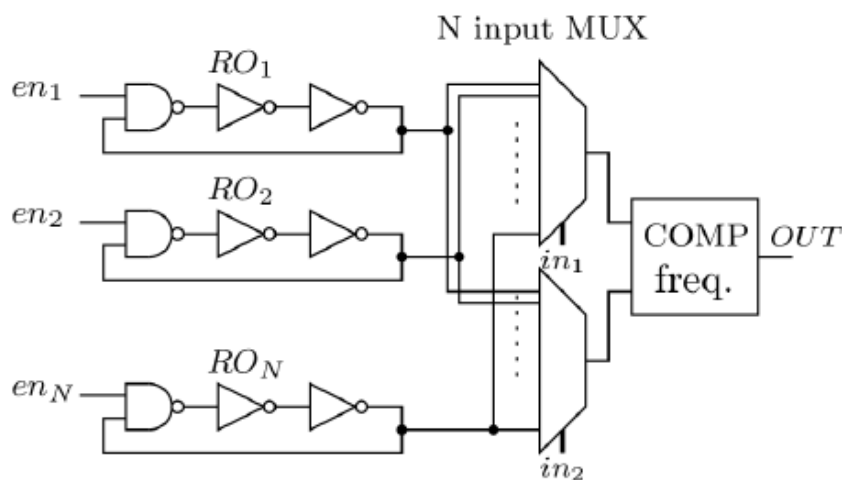
PUF Architectures

Three main architectures

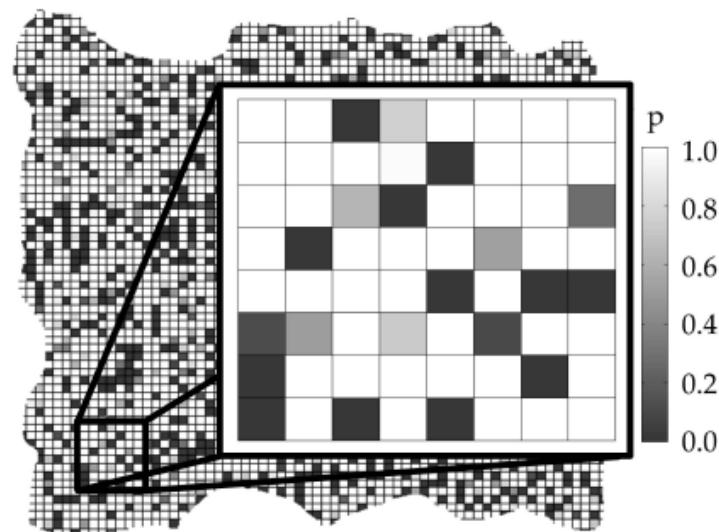
- Race of delays between two symmetrical delay lines – Arbiter PUF
- Frequency mismatch in multiple ring-oscillators – RO-PUF, loop-PUF
- Metastability of a couple of cross-coupled elements – SRAM PUF, Butterfly



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Some PUF challenges

● Future works

- Experimental characterization of all PUF architectures in corner conditions on FPGA and ASIC
- Aging compensation
- Security analysis
 - Sensitivity to EM perturbation/analysis
 - Sensitivity to optical analysis
- Construction of stochastic models of microelectronic process variations
- Construction of physical model

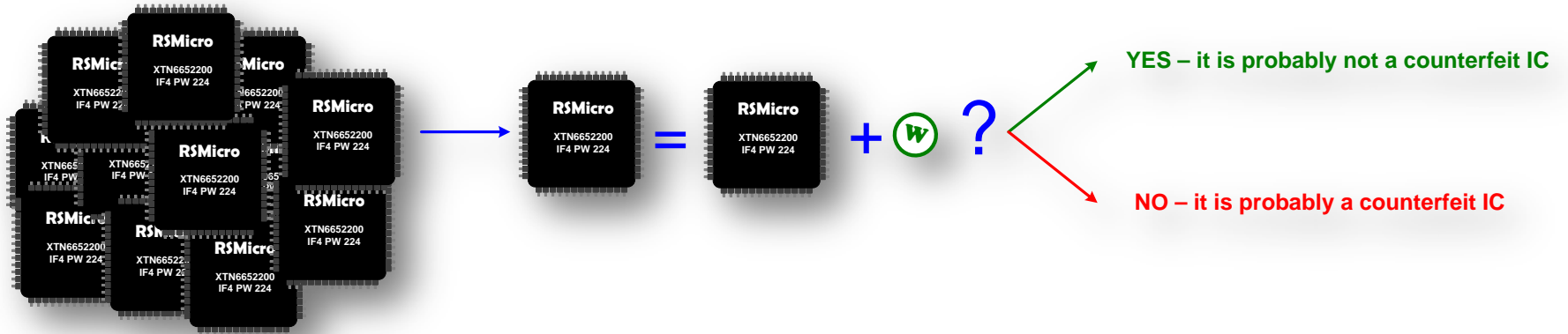
● Current project

- European H2020 HECTOR project
- <http://www.hector-project.eu/>
- Technikon, KU Leuven, Univ. Jean Monnet, TU Graz, ThalesCommunications & Security SAS, STMicroelectronics Rousset SAS, STMicroelectronics SRL, Micronic AS, Brightsight

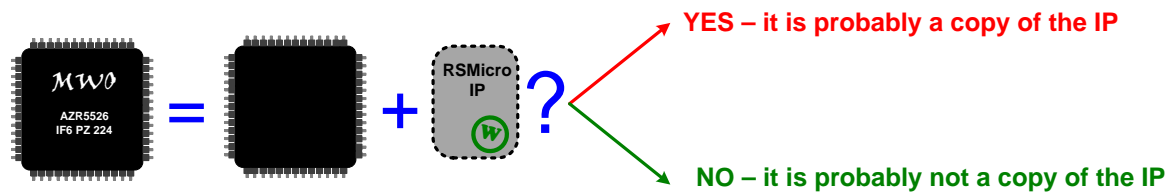
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Watermark

- Detection of IC counterfeiting
 - Set of good referenced ICs

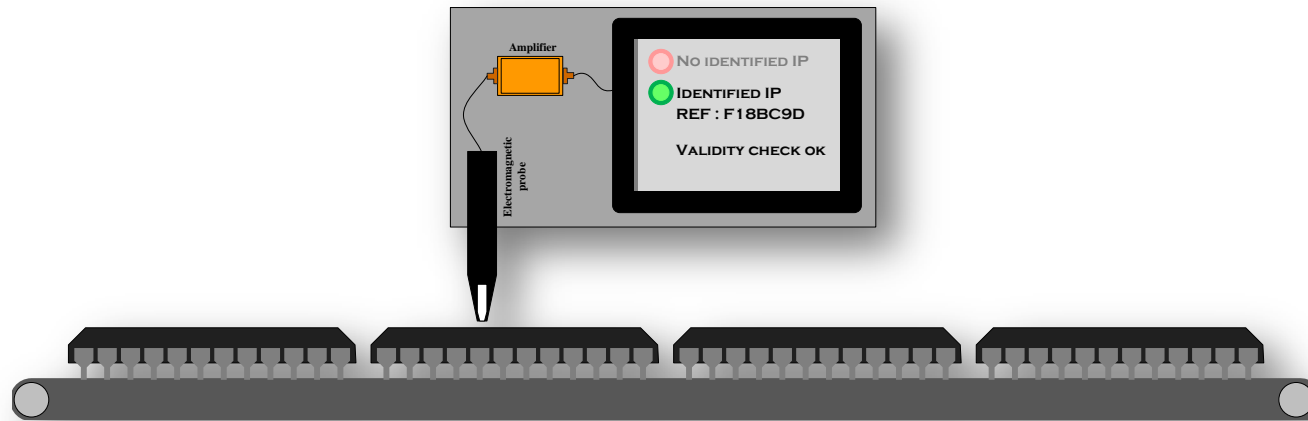


- Detection of IP theft (illegal copy/use)



Automatic detection of IC counterfeiting

- In the supply chain

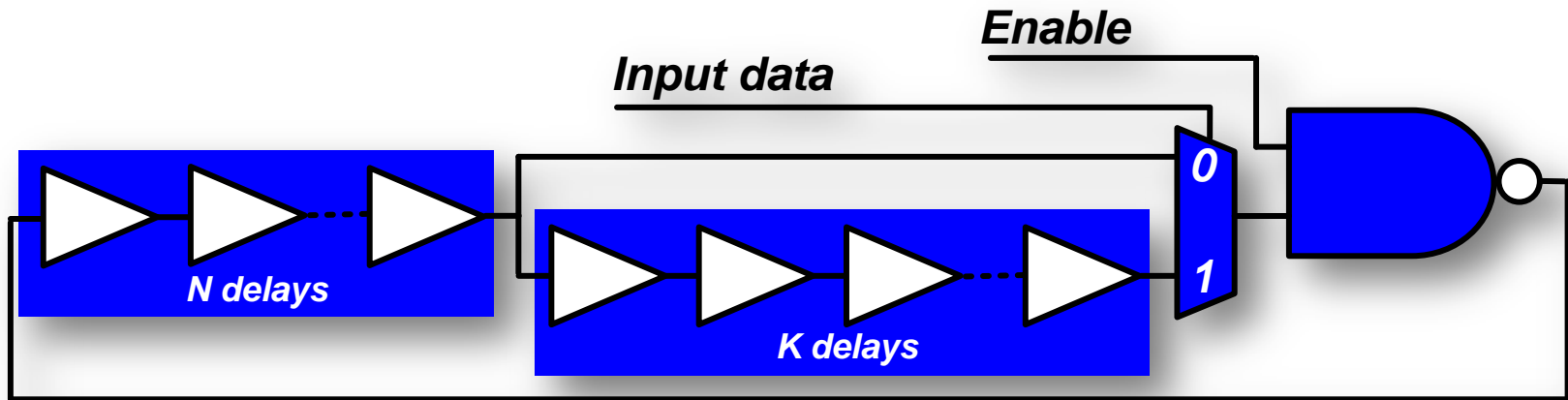


- **Contactless** => quick check
- **High data rate** => direct use in a supply chain (large set of ICs)
- **Very-low area overhead** => used few times only during the device life

Ultra lightweight BFSK transmitter

- Transmission on the EM channel (contactless)
- Configurable ring-oscillator
 - Two frequencies generator $f_0 > f_1$
 - Two parameters N and K
 - Size in number of LUT4 = $1+K+N$

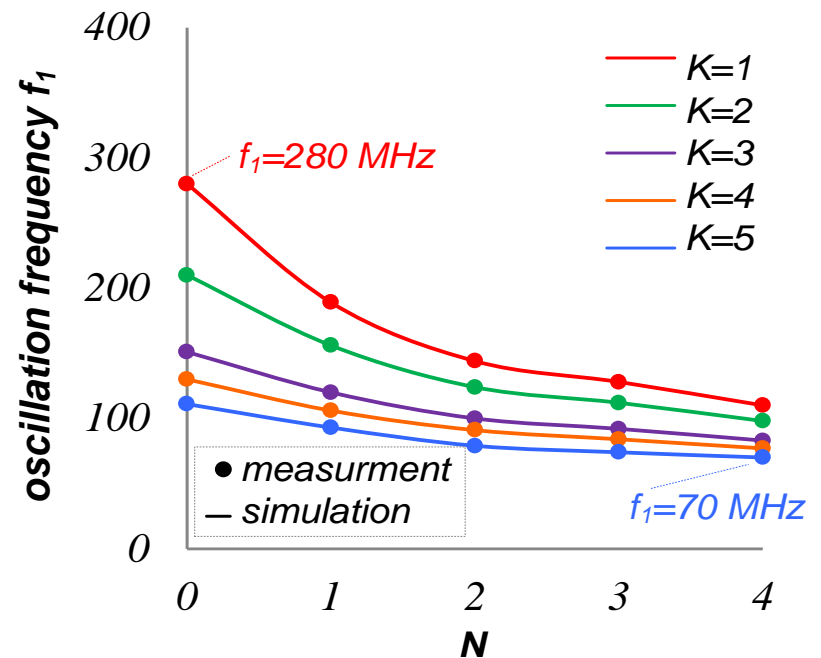
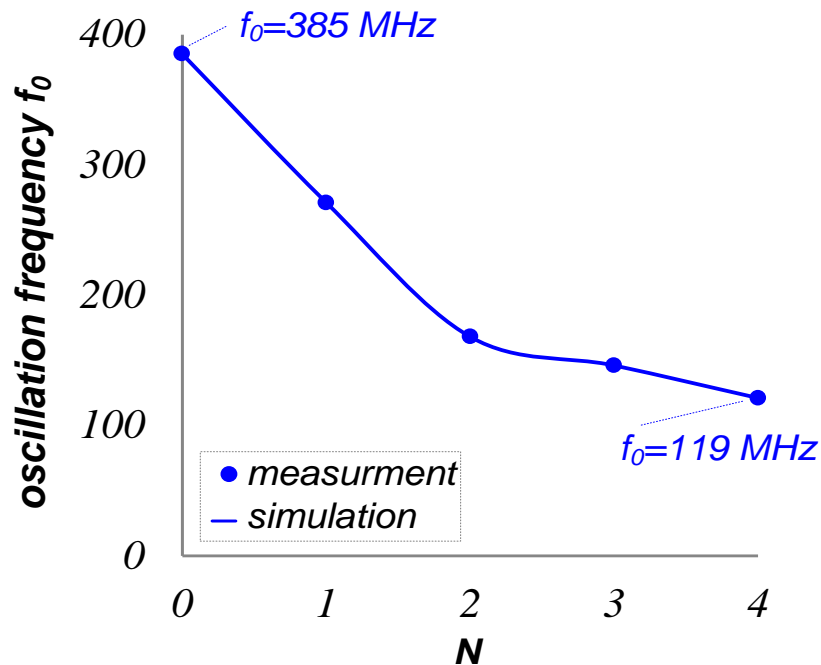
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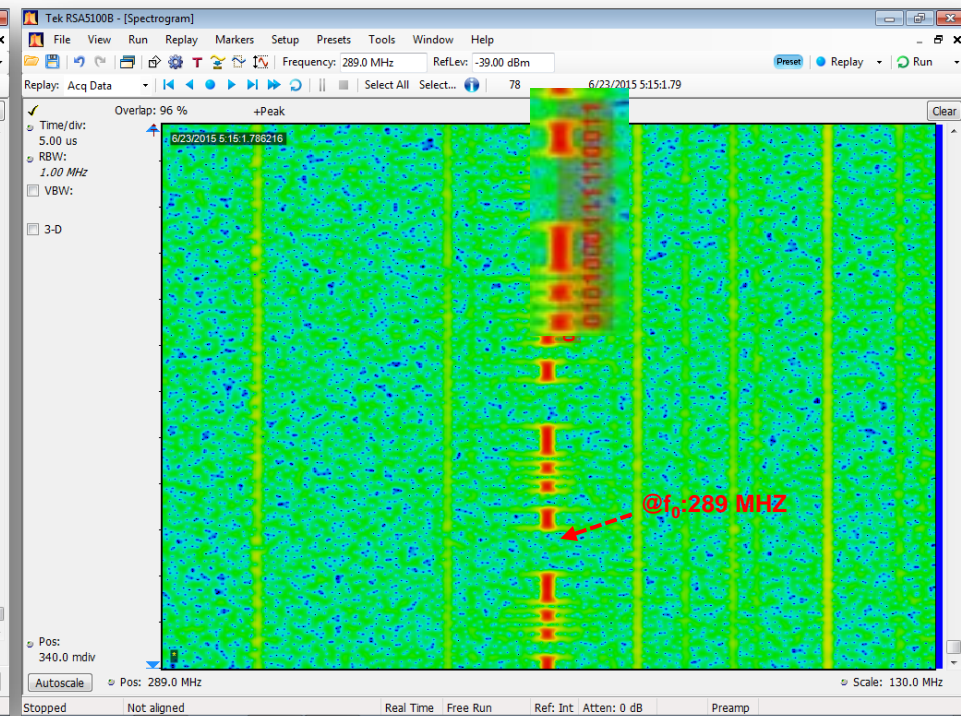
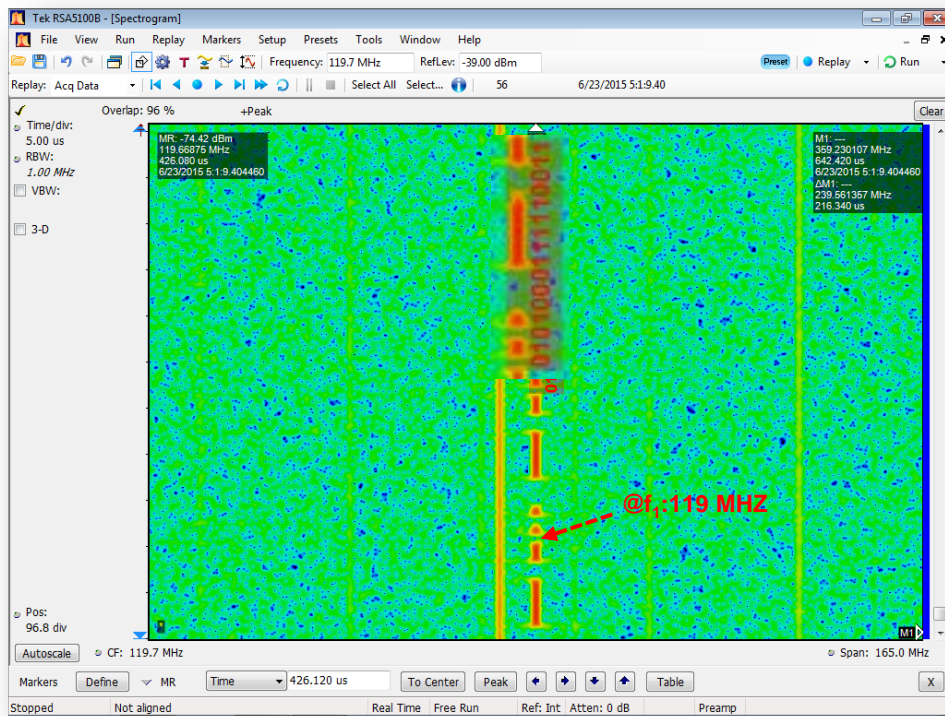
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First experimentation – BFSK only

- Spectral cartography (amplitude vs time)
 - By using slippery window spectral analysis



Comparison with state-of-the art spy circuits

● Spy circuits in the literature

- Applications: Hardware Trojan (malware) or IP Protection (salware)
- Used side channel (SC): Thermal emanation (*TH*), Power consumption (*PC*)
Electromagnetic emanation (*EM*)
- Year of publication (YoP): since 2008

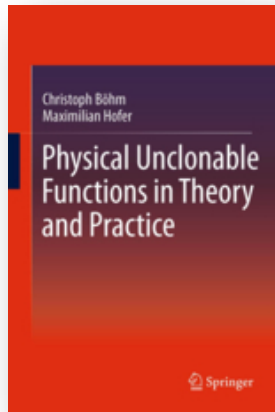
Ref	YoP	SC	Hardware resources	Bite rate
[5]	2008	<i>TH</i>	255 Spartan-3 Slices	$7 \cdot 10^{-3}$ bps
[6]	2008	<i>PC</i>	16*16 bit circular shift-register	200 bps
[9]	2009	<i>PC</i>	8 parallel Dff or 16 bit circular shift register	485 bps
[7]	2010	<i>PC</i>	16-bit circular shift register	500 bps
[10]	2013	<i>PC</i>	16-bit circular shift register per bit	976 bps
Our work	2015	<i>EM</i>	1 configurable RO	1 Mbps

**1024
times
bigger
data rate**

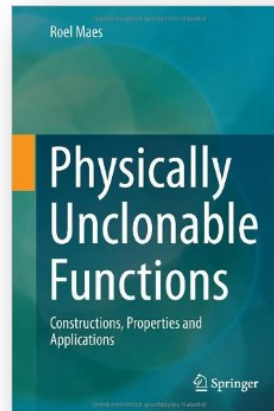


More information on PUF and Watermarking

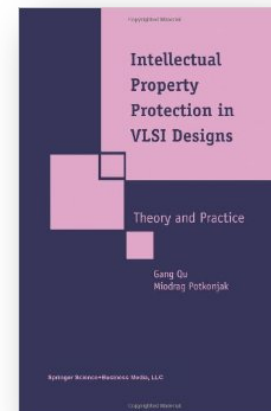
- Springer 2013, Graz University of Technology, Austria
 - eBook is provided DRM-free on the Springer web page



- Springer 2013, KU Leuven, Belgium



- Kluwer 2003, UCLA, USA



Conclusion

Synthesis

- Strategic issue for developed countries
 - Leadership on the semiconductor market
 - Limitation of illegal / malicious activities
- Many threats / many solutions
 - Filter out numerous publications (lot of publication noise)
 - Use a realistic threat model
 - Propose realistic and industrial solutions
 - Combine proposed solutions
- Need to develop specific skills
 - VLSI design / analog design
 - IC manufacturing
 - Hardware security
 - Applied cryptographic (need very-lightweight crypto)

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For fun: are you sure to be free of counterfeit parts?

- Friday 27th February 2015, 2 p.m.
 - Fire alarm in my Laboratory
 - Localization: the office next door (opposite)



- Fire's origin
 - A “Xilinx” Platform Cable USB for FPGA configuration
 - Chinese label, unknown and untraceable provider: 306Studio.com

